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Notice of Election.

On February 8th, 1898, an election will be held in Cross Creek and Seventy First Townships for the purpose of voting on the question of subscription to the Fayetteville and Albemarle Railroad, amount of said subscription to be $10,000 for each Township.

Ordered by the County Commissioners in session January 3rd.

A. L. McCASKILL,
Clerk Board Commissioners
of Cumberland County.
Jan'y 4, 1898---4w

A SIDELIGHT ON THE OHIO CONTEST.

A good deal of light is thrown upon the Republican opposition to Hanna in Ohio by the Atlanta Constitution's excellent correspondent, Mr. Ohl, in a letter of Wednesday's date from Washington.

It appears that Reed, Platt, Allison, Quay, Foraker, and other Republican leaders, have deeply resented Hanna's continued snubbing of them in the matter of patronage. They are made to feel that their recommendations for office are hindrances rather than helps, Hanna using his power as chairman of the national committee and general Boss of the McKinley administration in the most arrogant and tyrannical way.

Under these circumstances, the leaders mentioned find that Hanna's position is largely fortified by his position as a Senator, and they consequently would shed no tears if that one of his wings were clipped.

It has been a matter of astonishment that any of the members of the Ohio legislature elected as Republicans could be found who would dare to put themselves in antagonism to the big Boss. No doubt the recalcitrants that have actually turned up, and are now "hanging-up" Hanna's election, are inspired and have had their backbones stiffened by the aggrieved statesmen aforementioned.

THE CHINESE MATTER.

The suggestions, which find expression every now and then, of England's decadence, have received an effective rebuff in her stand in the Chinese matter. She has planted herself squarely upon her treaty rights under "the most favored nation" clause, and she has made a naval demonstration in Chinese waters of a force sufficient to sustain her position. In other words, she has given a fresh illustration of her wonted diplomatic acumen and of her unfailing state of preparedness in a physical way.

The attempt of Germany and Russia to close markets in Chinese territory to the rest of the world, is in violation of the time-honored practice followed by England, by the United States and, more recently, by Japan, of sharing the commercial advantages of their enterprise with all comers. The possession of Hong Kong by England, it is pointed out by the Philadelphia Record, is not to be considered as in violation of this practice, for, in 1841, when the Island of Hong Kong was transferred to England's possession, "the Chinese seas still swarmed with pirates, and the concession of commercial privileges then made by the Chinese would have been of small value unaccompanied by a naval base whence protection could be given" to the fleets engaged in the Chinese trade.

Though of less extent, the interests of the United States in the present crisis in China are identical with those of England; and Senator Frye is quite right in declaring, as he is reported to have done, that whatever of moral support this country can give to England should be hers, and without stint.

At present it looks as if the action of England had effectually checked the proposed partition of China. It is altogether likely that Russia and Germany had calculated upon England's being more seriously handicapped by the Indian uprising than she has been; and it is even suggested that Russia fomented the latter and supplied both the sinews and the munitions of war to the natives.

MR. TELLER PRESENTS HIS RESOLUTION.

It was recently given out that, upon the re-assembling of Congress, Senator Teller would introduce what is known as the Stanley Matthews resolution concerning the money of redemption of United States bonds. The purpose, of course, was to force Republicans of the Wolcott stamp to show their hand. Sure enough, the resolution is forthcoming, Wednesday's telegrams containing the following:

"Senator Teller to-day introduced a concurrent resolution declaring the bonds of the United States to be payable in silver dollars and asserting that 'to restore to their coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith, nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor.' The resolution is in the language of the resolution introduced by Hon Stanley Matthews in the Forty-fifth congress and which passed both houses. The resolution was referred to the finance committee, and as a majority of the members of that committee are friendly to silver, Senator Teller anticipates that it will be favorably reported."

The result will be to confirm and strengthen the new alignment between the advocates of bimetallism and the advocates of the single gold standard which began in the campaign of 1896. The Democrats, the silver Republicans and the silver Populists will vote for the resolution, the regular Republicans and the Tom Watson Populists against it. In this connection, it will be interesting to see if Mr. Skinner takes his side with the latter.

Taken with the recent rebuke of Croker and the practical identity of the caucus declarations of the Democrats and Populists in Congress, the move made by Mr. Teller is important.

Fine Democratic(?) Tactics,

(Charlotte News.)

J. C. L. Harris declares that fusion of Populists and Republicans next year is inevitable; that Democratic papers have driven the Populists into it.

CENTRALIZATION AT A BOUND

A Washington dispatch of the 5th says:

Congress Lovering (Mass.) has introduced in the House a resolution to meet competition of the Southern manufacturers with the North, and to do away with advantages now enjoyed by the Southern manufacturer in the absence of labor laws and similar restrictions. The resolution reads:

"Whereas, under State regulation there now exists and must always exist, great diversity in the hours of labor in manufacturing establishments, and this variation creates discrimination between the several States of the Union, which operates to the disadvantage of both labor and capital in many localities, contrary to the fundamental theory of the Constitution; and,

"Whereas, This lack of uniformity of hours of labor is the outcome of State legislation, and beyond the power of the States to make uniform, by reason of the decision of the Supreme Court of several States; and

"Whereas, Unequal and partial restrictions disturb the equilibrium of industry, and are serious obstacles to national progress: Therefore,

"Resolved, That the Congress of the United States do recommend to the several States for adoption the following amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

Article XVI. Congress shall have power to establish uniform hours of labor in manufactories throughout the United States.

"This amendment was submitted to Speaker Reed before being introduced. The principle of the resolution is approved by Chairman Dingley. Mr. Lovering today said: 'The amendment proposed is founded in absolute equity, and must find favor with all who believe in the principles of equality set forth in the Declaration of Independence, which is the genesis of our constitution. There exists in the United States legal diversity of labor conditions that cannot be found in any other nation. There is no reason in equity or morality in these discriminating conditions. It is the cause of more injustice than most any other question claiming the attention of the Congress at this time. It concerns the prosperity of the whole country. With a national law regulating the hours of labor, the illogical and unjust conditions now cramping our manufacturing industries would disappear."

This is centralization with a vengeance; and if such a constitutional amendment were likely to pass the ordeal which such organic changes have to undergo before each of the States, even after the preliminary resolution has passed Congress, it would mean the beginning of the end of our form of government. But our history shows that nothing short of a popular upheaval suffices to secure changes in the fundamental law of the Union.

The animus of the resolution is apparent, and it indicates the severity of the blow which New England is receiving at the hands of the South and as the result of those New-England-made protective laws which shut out the foreign market.

One of the Revenges of Time.

Philadelphia Record.)

In an address delivered at the recent session of the National Prison Congress, President Winston, of the Texas State University, presented some very interesting facts relating to crime committed in the United States by negroes and foreigners. He was enabled to show, from a careful study of records and statistics, that though foreigners and negroes together constitute a little more than one fourth of the population, they furnish more than one half of the criminals. The foreigners are one-and a half times as criminal as the native white Americans, and the negroes are three times as criminal as the native whites. Half the foreign criminals are unnaturalized, and 17 per cent. of them can neither read nor write. With the colored criminal it is different. While 57 per cent. of the whole body of negroes are illiterate, only 54 per cent. of the negro criminals are illiterate. This would appear to show that as the negro advances in education he advances in criminality. The fact that the colored population was a third more criminal in 1890 than in 1880 seems to give a further proof that the magnificent attempt made in this country to civilize, educate and assimilate the negro element has not yet vindicated the humane effort of the nation.

President Winston shows that the ratio of negro paupers and criminals in the Northern States is much higher than in the Southern States. The negro is three times as criminal in the North Atlantic States as in the South Atlantic States; twice as criminal in the North Central as in the South Central, and three and-a-half times as criminal in the Western States as in the South Atlantic States. Noting these interesting facts, the Providence Journal declares:

"They seem to warrant one or two conclusions of general importance. One is that as the negro is, whether from nature or environment or lack of training, more criminal than the whites, he requires close attention from the Government and perhaps a different kind of treatment. Another is that his criminality is due less to idleness or want of education than to impulse, and that consequently he can be more effectively controlled on the theory of negro inferiority to the white race than when mingling freely with the whites on terms of assumed equality. At any rate, he was less of an offender against the criminal code in the old days than he is now; and, therefore, some are saying that he could be made a more orderly citizen if there were restored something like the old interest taken by the masters and mistresses in the negro boys and girls around them. But how this can be done it is impossible to see unless it be through the work of industrial schools; and even then, so long as political animosity continues between the races, recovery of the better results of the old order of things cannot be expected."

Coming from the source they do, these observations are almost as remarkable as the facts upon which they are based. Even in New England, the hotbed of anti slavery agitation, there seems to be a growing sense of discouragement as to the outcome of emancipation, and an acquiescence in the necessity for a longer probationary period before the negro may safely share in the unrestricted enjoyment of the right to vote. We have evidently but just begun the task of Americanizing the African, and are not by any means sure that we are not progressing backward.

Crimes and Casualties.

(Atlanta Constitution.)

At the expiration of each year The Chicago Tribune undertakes to review fully the crimes and casualties of the preceding twelve months. In pursuance of what has come to be its fixed custom, this enterprising newspaper of the northwest brings out in grim battalions the figures for the past year, showing that the element of tragedy is more strikingly manifest than ever in our national life.

Dealing first with the subject of lynchings, the Chicago paper finds the number of these crimes against the law committee during the past year to be 166, or nearly 25 per cent more than the number committed during the preceding year. These crimes are distributed over the various states in the following manner: Texas, 25; Alabama, 19; Mississippi, 16; Georgia, 14; Louisiana, 14; Florida, 12; Arkansas, 11; South Carolina, 8; Tennessee, 6; Ohio, 5; Indiana, 5; Kentucky, 6; Illinois, 3; Michigan, 1; Virginia, 5; Maryland, 3. Wisconsin, 1; Iowa, 2; Minnesota, 1; North Carolina, 4; West Virginia, 1; Michigan, 1; Missouri, 2, and Nebraska, 1. It is evident from these figures that the crime of lynching has ceased to be sectional in its character, and that the south can no longer be charged with it exclusively. Out of the total number of lynchings which occurred in the United States last year, not less than twenty occurred in the northern states. As to the color of the parties lynched 122 were negroes, 39 whites and 5 Indians. Comparing the record for the past year with former ones, the showing is as follows: 1885, 184; 1886, 138; 1887, 122; 1888, 142; 1889, 176; 1890, 127; 1891, 192; 1892, 235; 1893, 200; 1894, 190; 1895, 171; 1896, 131; 1897, 166. During the period covered by the foregoing figures there have been 2,174 lynchings in the United States.

With respect to the number of fatalities charged to suicide during the year, the Chicago paper finds that not less than 6,000 persons killed themselves during that period of time. As is usually the case, quite a large percentage of these victims were physicians; but the list also includes lawyers, actors, editors, business men and clergymen. The various causes assigned by investigating authorities for these suicides are given in the following table: Despondency, 2,889; insanity, 467; liquor, 270; ill health, 356; domestic infelicity, 301; disappointed love, 271; business losses, 124, and unknown, 1,922. Of the total number of suicides above indicated, 2,384 were brought about by taking poison, 2,138 by gun or pistol shots, 870 by hanging, 596 by drowning and 537 by throat cutting. As to the remaining cases there can be no classification made. Some of the parties met death in front of locomotives, others by hurling themselves from high altitudes and others by blowing themselves up with dynamite.

Perhaps the most gratifying feature of the year's record, so far as it relates to crimes and casualties, is in the reduced number of murders committed. According to the figures compiled by the Chicago paper this number is fixed at 9,520, or less than the showing for any year since 1893. The causes assigned for these crimes are represented in the following table:

Quarrels,	4,638	Highwaymen k'd	128
Unknown,	2,655	Insanity,	93
Jealousy,	376	Self-defense,	97
Liquor,	518	Strikes,	49
By highwaymen,	387	Outrages,	42
Infanticide	311	Riots,	21
Resisting arrest,	195		

As to embezzlements and forgeries, the Chicago paper figures up the total amount of money lost through dishonesty during the year at $11,248,084.

With respect to accidents and fatalities of other kinds, it is estimated by the same authority that 2,426 lives were lost on ocean voyages, 65 on inland waters, 2,764 on account of railway accidents and 9,115 on account of various other disasters.

The Teller Resolution.

Wednesday's Congressional Record brings the full text of Senator Teller's resolution, (already referred to by us), which is as follows:

Whereas by the act entitled "An act to strengthen the public credit," approved March 18, 1869, it was provided and declared that the faith of the United States was thereby solemnly pledged to the payment, in coin or its equivalent, of all the interest-bearing obligations of the United States, except in cases where the law authorizing the issue of such obligations had expressly provided that the same might be paid in lawful money or other currency than gold and silver; and

Whereas all the bonds of the United States authorized to be issued by the act entitled "An act to authorize the refunding of the national debt," approved July 14, 1870, by the terms of said act were declared to be redeemable in coin of the then present standard value, bearing interest payable semi-annually in such coin; and

Whereas all bonds of the United States authorized to be issued under the act entitled "An act to provide for the resumption of specie payments," approved January 14, 1875, are required to be of the description of bonds of the United States described in the said act of Congress approved July 14, 1870, entitled "An act to authorize the refunding of the national debt;" and

Whereas at the date of the passage of said act of Congress last aforesaid, to wit, the 14th day of July, 1870, the coin of the United States of standard value of that date included silver dollars of the weight of 412½ grains each, declared by the act approved January 18, 1837, entitled "An act supplementary to the act entitled 'An act establishing a mint and regulating the coins of the United States,'" to be a legal tender of payment, according to their nominal value, for any sums whatever: Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring therein), That all the bonds of the United States issued, or authorized to be issued, under the said acts of Congress hereinbefore recited, are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the Government of the United States, in silver dollars, of the coinage of the United States, containing 412½ grains each of standard silver; and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith, nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor.

An Extraordinary Course.

(Statesville Mail.)

Sunday's Charlotte Observer has an editorial refuting the statement of the Richmond Times that the free silver sentiment is dying out. The Observer then goes on to bewail the fact that such is the case and to chide the Republicans for not doing something to check silver's onward march. What the Observer bewails is the fact that the Democracy, as embodied in the Chicago platform, is gaining ground in the country. This is the same Charlotte Observer which a month or two ago was begging for a low seat in the Democratic synagogue and promising to be silent on the points wherein it differed with the party. All through this editorial, and others of its kind, there is a vein of superiority over Democrats—an assumption that they are deluded and that their measures would ruin the country if put into laws. If the Observer would do the fair thing, it would stop its war, open and covert, upon the Democratic platform or leave the party. To belong to a party and bewail the increased sentiment in its favor is more than any other paper has ever yet been able to do and preserve the confidence and respect of the loyal members of the party. It would appear that the Observer is preparing to repeat its course of 1896—claim to support the Democratic candidates and print Republican arguments.

The New City of New York.

The Atlanta Constitution gives this excellent epitome of the character and form of government of the new City of New York:

Under the operation of the new charter which formally went into effect on the 1st of this month, the city of New York, with the single exception of London, becomes the greatest metropolis on the globe.

To briefly summarize the proportions of this august metropolis, its area comprises 196,800 acres, while its population numbers 3,350,000 souls. The assessed valuation of its real property aggregates in round numbers the sum of $2,368,000,000; its bonded debt amounts to $212,923,160, and its voting strength numbers 537,744 votes. Within its chartered limits there are sixteen congressional districts, twenty state senatorial districts and sixty one assembly districts. Do not these figures suffice to show the amazing dimensions of this gigantic metropolis?

According to the plan of federation, which has already been fully outlined, the new metropolis is divided into five boroughs, viz: Manhattan, consisting of the island of Manhattan and the neighboring islands associated with it; Bronx, consisting of that portion of the old city which lay north of the Harlem river; Brooklyn, consisting of the former city of that name; Queens, consisting of all that portion of Queens county included within the chartered limits of the city; and Richmond, consisting solely of Staten island. Under the provisions of the new charter each of these boroughs elects its own president, who presides over a local board composed of the members of the general municipal assembly who reside in that borough. Each of these local boards is empowered to take the initiative in all local improvements, although final action rests with the general municipal assembly.

With respect to the supreme government of the metropolis, it is vested in a mayor who is elected for a term of four years, and two legislative bodies, viz: a board of aldermen, composed of sixty members, and a council board, composed of twenty-nine members. The sixty aldermen are each elected for a term of two years, one alderman being chosen from each of the municipal assembly districts. The president of the aldermanic board is selected from among the membership of the board itself. The twenty-nine members of the council are elected from ten districts, into which the city is divided, each district electing three, with the exception of Richmond, which elects two only. The president of the council is not chosen from the council body, but is elected on a general ticket. The heads of all the administrative departments are given seats on the floor of the aldermanic board, while ex mayors of the city are given seats on the floor of the council board. Under the terms of the new charter the municipal assembly is vested with all the power formerly vested in the law-making authorities of the separate municipalities, with the additional power to construct bridges, build tunnels, lay out parks, erect schoolhouses and carry out general improvements within its chartered limits.

This is only a rough outline of the new metropolitan government of the city of New York. For more elaborate details special articles bearing upon the subject must be consulted. The plan of federation has been agreed upon as the result of long and faithful study on the part of some of the brightest minds of the metropolis, and in all likelihood, the future growth and development of the city will more than approve the wisdom of its founders.

The Yankee as a Custodian of National Honor.

(Charlotte News.)

Every few days somebody insults the United States flag or fires on some little dory of ours in some out-of-the-way part of the world. And the sensational newspaper correspondents insist that war is imminent, and hint at ultimatums and such things. But these things have gone on for a good many years now, and we haven't had any war and are not likely to have any. In fact the chances are that with the present Yankee-pedlar administration, if some of the friendly nations should with a cannon-shot knock the statue of Liberty off the capitol, the matter would be "arranged" amicably and Maj. McKinley would send a pleasant note to the great and good nation that slapped us in the face. The truth is that gentlemen who are interested only in gathering dollars elected the present administration and any disturbance that interferes with their pleasant occupation will not be countenanced by the present administration.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. KING BROS.

The Cotton Seed Industry.

(Atlanta Constitution.)

The extraordinary growth of the cotton seed industry in the south during the past decade constitutes one of the most striking features of our industrial progress since the war.

Ten years ago the cotton seed was looked upon with contempt as something which could not be utilized except for planting or fertilizing purposes; and on account of the vast quantity of cotton seed produced, most of the crop found its way back into the soil. Today the cotton seed is looked upon with admiring homage. On account of its increased value the farmer cannot afford to fertilize his soil with it as in times past, but prefers to haul it into market, where it becomes tributary to the cotton seed industry.

Since the birth of the cotton seed industry in this section each year has enlarged its growing area and increased the scope of its possibilities. At the present time the finest quality of salad oils, compound lard, butterine and other products are made from cotton seed; while the waste material resulting is used to fatten cows and hogs for market. If such results have been accomplished during the brief period of only ten years, can anyone limit the possibilities which the future holds in store for the cotton seed?

As to the present size and importance of the industry it is estimated that the total weight of cotton seed products manufactured in the south is fully equal to half the weight of the cotton crop. This is something enormous, as the weight of this year's cotton crop, on the basis of 10,000,000 bales, can hardly fall short of 5,000,000,000 pounds, making the total weight of cotton seed products manufactured not less than 2,500,000,000 pounds. But there is still room for much greater expansion. On the authority of agricultural experts, it is stated that the total amount of cotton seed produced yearly is double the amount of cotton baled; and applying this ratio to the present crop, it makes the amount of cotton seed aggregate at least 10,000,000,000 pounds. As the products manufactured from cotton seed aggregate in weight only one fourth of this amount, it is evident that the industry as yet consumes only a small percentage of the cotton seed available.

Although restricted exclusively to this section, the cotton seed industry has made itself felt in northern and eastern markets, and is destined in time to stamp its impress upon international commerce.

Reappearance of the Floral Fleet.

From a recent New York Sun.

Despatches from the duck region report the assignment of the Government launch Water Lily to special duty as a pleasure boat for the Hon. Grover Cleveland, formerly President of the United States. With his feet once more on the deck of a Government tender, Mr. Cleveland becomes again, in a certain sense, a public character.

We do not remember that the Water Lily has ever before been employed by Mr. Cleveland in the pursuit of ducks. The Wistaria, the Maple, the Myrtle, the Violet, the Verbena, the Mistletoe, and the Jessamine, with perhaps one or two other members of the floral and arboreal sisterhood, were, according to our recollection, his favorite craft in days gone by.

It was quite impossible for Mr. Cleveland, during his second or lighthouse-tender administration, to get through the entire list. He has not yet tested, for example, the duck-chasing qualities of the Goldenrod, the Lilac, the Rose, the Columbine, the Azalea, the Marigold, the Dahlia, the Cactus, the Arbutus, the Pansy, the Laurel, or the Zizania.

Curiously enough, on the very day when the Water Lily left Charleston to put her fragrant little self at Mr. Cleveland's disposal, Senator McMillan of Michigan reported favorably from the Committee on Commerce Senate bill No. 1601, namely, "a bill to remit the time penalties on the lighthouse tender Rose."

This measure will astonish the country. The citizens of the United States were not aware that there was any such thing as a time limit on lighthouse tenders. Mr. Cleveland himself did not know it.

The Cape Fear in 1824.

The following which we find in the Wilmington Messenger of Saturday was published less than a year before the FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER was established:

Captain W. E. Craighill, chief of the engineer corps on duty here, kindly sends us the following from Niles's Weekly Register, Baltimore, Md., October 16, 1824:

Letter from Raleigh, N. C., September 21, 1824.

"We are pleased to learn that W. Fulton has cleared the Cape Fear river between Wilmington and Fayetteville of several thousands of large logs which had been embeded for years and which produced obstructions to the navigation.

"Brown's reach which was the first obstacle above Wilmington, has been so cleared of obstructions that boats will hereafter pass without difficulty.

"The works below Wilmington are nearly completed and we trust that they will accomplish the object desired, of deepening the ship channel so that in future there will be no need of lighters to enable vessels to bring their cargoes to or carry them from the wharves at Wilmington. This fact, however, cannot be fully ascertained until the dams are completely closed, which will shortly be effected.

"We learn that the merchants of Fayetteville, from a late swell in the river, have been enabled to replenish their stores with goods of all kinds."

The Indispensable Intelligence Agent.

(Boston Herald.)

The newspaper was never more the natural and effective method of communication between those who desire to sell and those who desire to buy than it now is. The intelligent shopper of today usually plans his or her shopping expedition from the columns of the newspaper. The merchant of the present day would as well be out of town as out of the newspaper. Taking his advertising out of the newspaper is like taking down his sign. It means a business vacation for him. The wise advertiser lets the public know that he is on earth twelve months in every year.

Ask for Vick's Little Liver Pills. They are the best family pills—never gripe.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Dispensary Comparisons.

The Louisburg dispensary, established at the same time as the Cumberland dispensary, has made $1,600 net profit the past six months, while the Cumberland dispensary has made $3,098.01 during the same period.

Cumberland Courts.

The next term of the Criminal Court of Cumberland County will be held during the week commencing February 7th. The approaching civil courts will be March 28th, 1 week, and May 9th, 2 weeks.

Meeting of Stockholders of the Bank of Fayetteville.

The stockholders of the Bank of Fayetteville held their annual meeting Thursday and re-elected the old board of directors, who are as follows: H. W. Lilly, A. A. McKethan, J. P. Thomson, T. M. Hunter, John Elliott, J. R. Williams, W. S. Cook, W. N. Williams, Ed. Smith.

The directors will meet to-morrow and elect the Bank officers.

Sudden Death of an Aged Lady.

Miss Mary E. Birdsall, an aged and highly respected lady, died suddenly Thursday morning at the residence of Mrs. P.H. Lutterloh, on Ramsay street. Miss Birdsall was seen on the streets Tuesday in her usual health and the announcement this morning of her death was a shock to her many friends and relations.

The deceased lady was a devout member of the Presbyterian church. The funeral will be held from the residence of Mrs. Lutterloh to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The Truth, Nevertheless, says Mr. Moore.

Wstnesday night, about 10 o'clock, Mr. Tom Moore, just before retiring, attempted to blow out a large student's lamp, when the lamp acted so queerly that he hurriedly raised the window and pitched it out into the yard. The flames set the grass on fire and Mr. Moore ran down and, with no little trouble, extinguished them. He found the lamp sitting upright, undamaged, and the chimney and big porcelain globe lying alongside without a crack in them. The lamp had been thrown from a second story window and over a wood shed.

Marriage of a Former Cumberland Boy.

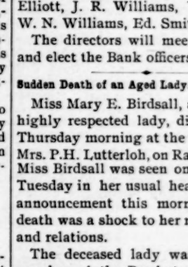
The Mayo, Fla., Press contains the following account of the marriage of Dr. Wiley Gainey, a former Cumberland county boy.

Eleven o'clock Thursday morning, December 9th, Dr. Wiley E. Gainey led to hymen's alter, Miss Lela M. Sears, at the residence of the bride's father, near Call, Rev. J. W. Porter, pastor of the Methodist church at this place, officiating.

Only the relatives and a few special friends were invited.

In the afternoon the doctor and his bride came to Mayo, where they and their friends were tendered a bountiful supper by Mr. and Mrs. George H. Brown.

Dr. Gainey and his bride need no introduction by us, as the doctor is one of the most prominent and leading physicians and druggists of this place and Mrs. Gainey, having been one of the leaders of society at Call, and having been raised near here from her earliest childhood is well known here and has many friends.



"To tell the truth my mother has lived with one foot in the grave," writes Mrs. Eugene Stantzenberg, of No. 1604 Walker Ave., Houston, Texas, in a letter to Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. "With a most thankful heart I will tell you about the wonderful cure effected in her case. She has been a perfect wreck for seven long years. No words can describe what she has suffered. She could not sleep on account of severe pains. She tried every doctor around here and spent hundreds of dollars without benefit. After hearing of your wonderful remedies I wrote to you. My mother has taken six bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and six of the 'Favorite Prescription,' and is now perfectly cured. Please receive the heartiest thanks and blessings from my father and seven children for saving the life of dear mother. May God bless you and your Institution, is the wish of your friend."

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BRYAN GIVES CHEER TO THE DEMOCRACY—THE BATTLE OF MONEY AGAINST MAN.

Five hundred Democrats sat down to a dinner Saturday night in Chicago in honor of the anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans, "Jackson's Day." Mr. Bryan was the guest of the evening, and, responding to the toast in his honor, spoke in part as follows:

"It is especially fitting that at this time the American people should recall the name of Andrew Jackson and gather inspiration and encouragement from his public career. We are engaged today in a contest very similar to that in which he played so conspicuous and honorable a part. During his term of office the national banks attempted to overawe the representatives of the people and control the government. He grappled with them and overthrew them. Arrayed against him were the very classes which have forced a continuance of the gold standard in the United States, in spite of the almost unanimous protest of the people—the same classes which are now trying to coerce the government into the surrender of the sovereign right to control the money of the country.

CONDUCTING THEIR CAMPAIGN IN SECRECY.

"It seems that every generation presents a combat between the producers of wealth and the money changers. The latter, conducting their campaign in secrecy, fasten themselves upon the body politic and prey upon industry until their hold is broken by an awakened and indignant public. The present secretary of the treasury, Mr. Gage, is eminently fitted to be the instrument of the financiers in their effort to complete the scheme commenced 24 years ago and continued without interruption until the present day. He possesses a sublime faith in the superiority of money over man and a supreme contempt for the rights, the interests and the opinions of the people at large. He knows that the gold standard was adopted in the United States without any party ever asking for it.

"He knows that for 23 years after its adoption no party ever dared to commend it. He knows that in the campaign of 1896 the party composed of bolting Democrats was the only party which dared to declare the gold standard a blessing; he knows that at the polls 99 per cent. of the voters registered their opposition to a single gold standard, differing only as to the means of securing bimetallism; he knows that the President, to whose partiality he owes his position, sent a commission to Europe to beg other nations to help us get rid of the gold standard; he knows that the senate and house with scarcely a dissenting vote appropriated $100,000 of the people's money to pay the expenses of the commission while it was seeking relief from the gold standard; he knows that France, by joining in the demand for international bimetallism, condemned the gold standard; he knows that the farmers, the laborers and to a large extent the manufacturers of England, desire international bimetallism; he knows that the maintenance of the gold standard means unmerited advantage to the money owning and bond-holding classes, and undeserved punishment to the vast majority of the people of this country and to the civilized world; and yet, in spite of his knowledge of all these facts, he is deliberately planning to fasten the gold standard permanently upon the people of the United States.

LESS THAN 1 PER CENT. VOTED IN 1896 FOR RETIREMENT OF THE GREENBACKS.

"Not content with advocating a policy which places the destinies of 70,000,000 of freemen in the hands of foreign financiers and permits a few London bankers to control our standard of money, Mr. Gage now proposes to give to the national banks full and complete control of the paper money of the nation. In November, 1896, 6,500,000 electors voted against the retirement of the greenbacks and 7,000,000 supported a platform which was silent on the subject. The Republican candidate for President, in his letter of acceptance, pledged the Republican party to keep in circulation (and as good as gold) all the silver and paper moneys now included in the currency of the country, while only one party advocated the retirement of the greenbacks and that party polled less than 1 per cent. of the total vote.

"Mr. Gage knew these facts, and yet in spite of that knowledge, he is seeking to organize a money trust more dangerous not only to the industries but to the liberties of the people, than all the trusts combined. At such a time and under such circumstances the memory of the hero of New Orleans ought to be invoked in every State, county and hamlet to arouse the people to a sense of their danger.

THE FORMATION OF TRUSTS AND THE REDUCTION OF WAGES.

"Twelve months have elapsed since we celebrated this day a year ago and every month has borne witness to the failure of Republican politics to bring relief to the people. Just after the passage of the Dingley bill, our opponents were boisterous in their announcement that prosperity had returned. The Republicans were given full swing. They framed just such a law as their hearts desired and their brains devised and what is the result? Read the daily papers and you will find the items of news arranged under two heads—the formation of trusts and the reduction of wages.

WEEPING WILLOWS AT THE TOMB OF SILVER.

"A few days ago I picked up a copy of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat and found under the innocent and unpretentious head lines 'Weavers and Spinners' seven notices of wage reductions from four of the six New England States. Is this the result which they promised would follow the opening of the mills instead of the mints? If our enemies boast that they have buried bimetallism, we point to these wage reductions as the weeping willows which have sprung up about its temporary tomb. Why is not some court asked to enjoin the employers from uniting together to reduce wages? Can combinations among employers be innocent if co-operation among miners is a crime?

"A few days ago an association of millers tried to justify a reduction of wages by laying the blame on the laws passed for the protection of the operatives. Their complaint is significant because it emphasizes the reactionary tendency of present conditions. If this grinding process continues, the laboring classes will lose all of the advantages which they have gained in the last quarter of a century. Instead of shorter hours for adults and more education for children we shall be asked to lengthen the hours of labor and to dwarf the intellects as well as the bodies of the children by manual labor during the years when they should be in school. How many plagues will be required to soften the heart of our financial Pharaoh? Does he not know that now as of old 'bricks without straw' but presage the coming of the day of deliverance?

A REBUKE TO THE SWAGGERERS.

"Since the last celebration of Jackson's day thousands of political prodigals have returned to the old home and thousands more are growing weary of the husks. The reception of those who have returned has depended upon the spirit which has animated the prodigals. Those who have come back acknowledging the binding force of the Chicago platform and willing to work harmoniously side by side with the brethren who went not astray, have been taken into full fellowship and their wanderings forgiven. But those who have swaggered back boasting of their intention to remodel the house and revolutionize methods have found neither fatted calf nor banquet hall.

"There is no humiliation in the acknowledgment of error. To a large portion of our people the money question was a new question in 1896, and as we demanded affirmative action the timid and only half convinced arrayed themselves against us. Since the election there has been time for further study and events in rapid succession have been vindicating the position taken by the bimetallic forces in the last campaign. The Republicans, too, intoxicated by success, have been disclosing schemes which were carefully concealed during the contest. We may, therefore, expect continuous accessions to our ranks.

"I cannot close without impressing upon your minds the necessity of extending and perfecting the work of the clubs, which are necessary to supplement the work of the party organization. We must have clubs in every precinct. Through them we can keep our forces in fighting condition, collect campaign funds and protect the ballot box from fraud and corruption.

"I have so much confidence in the earnestness and intelligence of those who are enlisted under the banner of independent bimetallism that I am sure all things needful will be done.

"I therefore bid you be of good cheer. Unless all political omens fail the 20th century will open with the money of the constitution restored and the motto, 'Equal rights to all and special privileges to none,' the controlling principle in all the departments of the government. Then will our people sing a new song of a nation redeemed."

HAROLD FREDERIC ON THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION.

Mr. Harold Frederic, whose London letters to the New York Times we have so often quoted and so often had occasion to commend for their trustworthiness, telegraphs as follows under Saturday's date:

The tacit development of England's position in the Far Eastern question, which is, briefly, that she will grab nothing herself, but will fearlessly employ her overwhelming naval power to prevent any obstruction to free Chinese trade on the part of others, has had a remarkable and quieting effect on the Continental excitement. It might be said, for the moment at least, that it had robbed the crisis of most of its critical aspects. If England can follow this up by securing the privilege of financing the Pekin Government through its monetary troubles for the coming decade, civilization will indeed have gathered figs from thistles. It is not possible, in the absence of information as to the obstacles being raised by international financiers in Berlin, St. Petersburg, and Paris, to say whether the Anglo-Chinese loan can be arranged. Politicians of both parties here, backed enthusiastically by business men in the City of London, have made such a demonstration in favor of England's assuming this responsibility, that it may be taken for granted that Lord Salisbury will not hesitate. Disraeli's smart precedent of gathering up the late Khedive's Suez Canal shares while the French Ministry fumbled and hesitated would be ample warrant for his prompt action. Unfortunately others remember that precedent too, and all the occult money-lending forces of the Continent have been scurrying about from one discount centre to another during the week, trying to arrange a scheme to raise eighty millions of dollars and force it upon China in time to forestall England's proffer of the money. This is really the crux of the present situation. One can only wish we knew more about it. The chances seem to be, however, that the French reluctance to make this further huge financial sacrifice on Russia's altar of selfishness, will operate to balk the Continental plans, and that England will ultimately do the loan.

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ENGLAND'S COURSE BRINGS PEACE WITH HONOR.

England's action in sending seven ships of war to Chemulpo and two to Port Arthur was treated at the outset as a reason for setting the tocsins ringing, but, that, also, had in its result a tranquilizing effect. It must be remembered that just as the concert of Europe has exhibited nothing but the depth of the rancorous jealousies and animosities existing among the powers professing to be in harmony, so these same mailed ruffians, in their piratical descent upon China, despite all their mutual understandings and agreements, profoundly distrust one another. Hence England, representing free commerce as against military feudalism, and acting for the civilized trading peoples like the American, Dutch, Norwegians, and the rest, as well as for her own home and colonial populations, has only to hold up one of these three robber barons, and the other two secretly chuckle with relief. It is really the old story of the Hanseatic League against marauding armed nuisances over again. Assurances coming from all quarters, and most especially from America, that the peaceful and free nations of the earth comprehend this, and see that England's cause is theirs, have already worked wonders in solidifying and elevating English sentiment in the matter. The silly Jingoes who want to seize everything are nearly silenced. The temptation to make partisan capital out of the crisis has been thrust sharply to the rear. Unless some miraculous fog of imbecility rises to envelop Salisbury and his colleagues, Great Britain will play a part in Chinese waters now which will match the finest things in her history.

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GERMANY WILL BE OUT IN THE COLD.

Of Germany's curious exploit little new is to be said. The official disclosure that the seizure of Kiao-Chau had been determined upon, and the terms of the proclamation defining the precise topographical and juridical limits of occupation had been dictated from Berlin to Admiral Diedrichs before a word had been heard of any murder of missionaries, is perhaps not important, though it is undoubtedly interesting. The eccentric, whirligig activity of Emperor William's mind has become so familiar that one incoherency more or less hardly matters. It may, however, help on the cold wave of reaction, already visibly rising, against his navy projects. This will be specially likely if Li Hung Chang comes back to power, for it is felt that he will minimize the German advantages at Kiao-Chau to a point where it will be extremely uphill work to prove to the German Electorate that they will even get their bait back, let alone catch any fish in Chinese waters. It is worth noting that nowhere else in his tour around the world did Li Hung Chang witness such groveling and lickspittle servility and fawning before him as in Germany. Its effect on the venerable Mongolian was painfully the reverse of what was intended, for he returned to China with the outspoken conviction that the Germans were the poorest thing he had seen on his travels.

CORRUPTION RAMPANT.

Monday's New York Sun contains a long statement from J. De Armas, apparently a staff writer, detailing the particulars of an alleged bargain between Editor Bennett, of the New York Herald, and the Spanish government, by the terms of which the Herald is to conduct a campaign of falsehood against the Cuban cause. The object, of course, is to influence the American people, who in turn are expected to be less critical of their public servants in Congress or other federal positions, if any of these should also be bribed to espouse the cause of Spain.

The writer avers that "Hispanicus," the Madrid correspondent of the Herald, is Don Segismundo Moret, Colonial Minister in the Spanish cabinet, and that he has been a member of the Herald's staff since November 22, 1897.

Incidentally, the writer of the article declares that the Herald has been receiving an annual subsidy of $100,000 from the Monte Carlo Casino for "advertisements," in the form of "write-ups," as they are called with us. In one of these, Monte Carlo is described as both a sanitarium and a place where health-restoring gambling may be indulged in. For example, an eminent physician is quoted as saying that "if a man who is always thinking of his ailments and himself happens to lose £100 at *trente et quarante*, the effect, psychologically considered, may be very good for his nervous system."

That is certainly very Frenchy and interesting. But to return to the alleged Spanish bargain.

With the advent of Sagasta as prime minister, the writer goes on to say, and of Moret as minister for the colonies, the scheme for "autonomy" was launched, and the Spanish minister at Washington, Senor De Lome, recommended to his government the establishment of a propaganda in this country in order to make converts to the Spanish cause among the American people.

The writer offers sundry translations from Spanish newspapers to prove that the Herald is the beneficiary of the funds dispensed by the Spanish government in the carrying out of De Lome's recommendation.

However all this may be, it has been repeatedly charged that Spanish money was corruptly used among our public men for the purpose of influencing their votes, or of securing their executive assistance, in behalf of Spain and against the struggling Cubans. But while evidences of the work of the propaganda every now and then appear in the newspapers—oftentimes, no doubt, innocently on the part of the papers—this is the first time a great newspaper has been charged with being regularly engaged in such a villainous undertaking.

The Sun editorially adopts the article of De Armas, the leading paragraph of its article being in these words:

"The recently completed and openly avowed alliance between Mr. James Gordon Bennett of Paris and the government at Madrid for the continued enslavement of Cuba is discussed elsewhere in the Sun of this morning."

With a corrupt press and the open purchase of a sufficient number of Ohio legislators to return the collossally corrupt Mr. Hanna to the Senate of the United States, we are fast embracing habits that have wrecked stronger nations than this.

CURRENT COMMENT.

We are glad to greet again the Wilmington Review, which has just been revived, in fine form, by our old friend, Josh. T. James, Esquire. It is a 24 column daily, beautifully printed on good paper and from new type. Long life and prosperity to it and to its able, sturdy editor.

HOW IS THIS?

The Democratic, the Populist and the Silver National Chairmen Agree Upon Concerted Action.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan., 8.—Leaders of the various parties advocating the free coinage of silver were in conference at the capitol today. The first meeting was held in the committee room of Senator Jones of Arkansas, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and there were present in addition to Senator Jones, Senator Butler of North Carolina, Chairman of the National Committee of the Populist party; Hon. C. A. Towne, Chairman of the National Committee of the Silver-Republican party; Senator White, Congressman Bailey and Hon. Marcus Dailey, Democrats; Senators Teller, Pettigrew, Cannon and Mantle and Representative Hartman, Silver-Republicans, and Senator Allen, Populist.

Later in the day there was another conference in which the Democrats did not participate. The meeting was not final and no authorized statement was made of the proceedings beyond the announcement that the meeting was merely incidental to Mr. Towne's visit to Washington.

It is understood, however, that the principal subject discussed was the providing of a plan for holding the silver forces together for the Congressional campaign next fall and that, while no absolute conclusion was reached, it was decided that local silver leaders of whatever party affiliation should be advised of the conviction of the national leaders of the necessity of maintaining a solid frontage against the Republican party as the organized advocate of the parties maintaining the gold standard.

The chairmen of the various parties are said to be agreed as to the wisdom and importance of concerted action.

[Now, what in the world are those so-called Democratic papers which were so shocked, in 1896, because our North Carolina State Committee carried the State for Bryan, going to do about this scandal in high life? Jones, Butler and Towne "fusing" and selling out their constituents! Let loose the dogs of war upon this trio and confuse their counsels, lest their combined strength be too much for the righteous McKinleyites and Gageites in the Senate!]

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10th, 1898.

Mr. McKinley, by working overtime and by using a shovel on the pie, man aged to send more nominations to the Senate since Congress reassembled than have before gone in in any single week since he took charge of the pie counter; but it has not lessened the pressure on him for pie even a little bit. For every hungry mouth he has filled there are a thousand asking to be filled. There is a suspicion that Mr. McKinley, instead of being opposed to the warm fight that is being made in the House for a modification of the civil service law, is really in favor of it. Lacking the backbone to use his authority to modify the rules under the present law, he will do nothing. But if Congress adopts any legislation he will allow it to become a law, probably without his signature. The ground for this suspicion is simple. Many of Mr. McKinley's warm friends are engaged in this fight, and every member of his Cabinet has gone on record as favoring some modification. The bill now before the House civil service committee limits the law to those positions paying from $900 to $1800 a year.

The Senate has taken up the Hawaiian annexation treaty and, if its supporters have their way, will consider it daily until a vote is reached.

Senator Butler of North Carolina, has offered a joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment that would revolutionize the United States courts. It proposes that all United States judges, including those of the Supreme Court, shall be elected by the people, for terms of eight years, and provides for a division of the country into circuits for their election. Speaking of his resolution, Senator Butler says: "There was a time when all the states thought it incumbent upon them to appoint their judges for life. Now the life tenure of a judge in a state is the exception. I believe in placing the power over the judiciary in the hands of the people. If the system of stated terms is good in the states it ought to be equally good for the Federal government."

Many democrats in Congress favor beginning the congressional campaign of next Fall at once, on the floors of Congress, and keeping up a red hot, aggressive fight upon the republicans from start to finish. Among them is Representative De Armond, of Missouri, who said on the subject: "We ought to be aggressive. We want to force the fighting. We ought to lose no time in exposing the hypocrisy and cowardice of our political opponents. We can lose nothing by being aggressive. Those who followed the standard of democracy and Bryan in the last campaign are as enthusiastic and as earnest as ever, and we who are here in Congress representing that sentiment ought not to lag."

Senator Chilton, of Texas, says of the civil service hubbub in republican ranks: "In my opinion, if Mr. Bryan had been elected instead of Mr. McKinley, the fly specks which republican orators in Congress now imagine to be blood spots on the civil service system would have escaped their attention altogether. Their sudden realization that the idea of civil service reform has been carried too far is due solely to their purpose to get republicans into places now filled by equally capable democrats, and no democratic senator or representative should give them aid or comfort in their designs."

Czar Reed is the one republican in Congress who has never buckled down to Boss Hanna. On the contrary, he not long ago made Hanna eat a big chunk of humble pie. It all came about in connection with the appointment of a light house keeper in Mr. Reed's district, a place Mr. Reed had asked for one of his constituents. Instead of the appointment Mr. Reed got a letter from the headquarters of the republican national committee, signed M. A. Hanna. That made him mad. He isn't a profane man, but his demand for an explanation from the Treasury Department as to what M. A. Hanna had to do with appointments in his District was as "hot stuff" as anybody on Secretary Gage's staff cared to hear about. An apology quickly followed, as did the appointment of Reed's man. But that didn't mollify the Czar. He went after Boss Hanna and made him apologize also.

Senator Teller made a manly and able speech in reply to the numerous newspaper stories alleging that some of the silver men in Congress have no proper conception of the financial question, and are trying to force it to the front merely to make a breach between Mr. McKinley and his Secretary of the Treasury. He said that it was ridiculous to suppose that Mr. Gage would remain in the cabinet an hour if he and the President were not in financial accord; also that the Republican party was today fully committed to the gold standard. Every eye in the Senate was upon Mr. Teller when he uttered these ringing words: "I attack the Republican party because it is the party of the gold standard. I hope to see it go down in 1900, and I pledge you that I will do everything in my power to drag it down. Its policy is not such as is demanded by a great and free people. I have no quarrel with the President, but he stands for the gold standard, a policy which in my opinion will impoverish and wreck our people."

An Incorrigible.

PROMISE.

Charlotte Observer, Dec. 31, '97.

"It seems strange" to the Concord Standard—discussing North Carolina politics and the attitude of the minority Democrats, together with the ceaseless war waged upon us by the reptiles and warmints—that while we "are willing to acquiesce, asking for nothing, absolutely nothing, but to be let alone and *allowed to be silent in that to which we can't fully subscribe*, but bold and aggressive in all that is essential to the welfare of the State, we are not allowed to pursue our course in peace." It does seem strange, indeed, but that is the way of it. The Standard enquires: "Is it possible that we are not welcome in the ranks of those desiring white supremacy unless we advocate the white metal with equal zeal, when one is a real issue in the State *and the other is not?*" That is exactly what is the matter. You and we and our likes are distinctly "not welcome" unless we go the full figure. There is a studied purpose to drive us out of the Democratic party, and to make a show of justification for this policy of proscription we are being regularly, statedly informed that we are already out.

PERFORMANCE.

Charlotte Observer, Jan 7, '98.

It is reported that among the treasured mementoes of his Mexican trip, Mr. Bryan brought back "a magnificent sombrero, gorgeously trimmed in silver and gold properly proportioned!" (*We all know that the only faultless, flawless, spotless, honest, clean, up right, correct and proper proportion is* 16 *to* 1.)

SOUTHERN PINES CHIPS.

Dr. C. T. Hawes is in town again after spending some time at his old home near Wilmington, N. C.

Mr. J. E. Phillips, of Cameron, N. C., was in town on business this week.

Messrs. Lewis Bros. are starting a new building on Bennett street.

Mr. Kirk Upchurch is building a new cottage on R. R. street.

The Stanly cottage on Bennett street is completed and occupied.

Since putting in the steam pumps to supply the plant with water, the electric lights have done good regular service.

Mr. E. Hodgin, superintendent of the J. Vann Lindly Fruit Farm, informs your correspondent that he has just set out one thousand more peach trees, making about 63 thousand of all kinds of fruit trees now growing on the farm, 490 acres under fence. This is the largest fruit farm in the State, and one of the largest in the South.

Mr. J. W. Tuft has quite a large force of hands at work on his Trolly Road (from this place to his town, Pinehurst) leveling and improving in every way. Mr. Tuft intends to have a road that will compete with the city roads.

The New Year has come, but not to stay,
And with the years we are passing away.
Each New Year comes with a bright good morn,
But they'll come some time when we'll be gone.

To think of this our nature is sad,
But to think in the spirit we should be glad
For we know it is promised to the faithful one
A home in Heaven when life is done.

A home, sweet home, from care set free,
No good byes there for you or me.
Together there we all may spend
Sweet happy years that never end.

Items from Adjoining Communities of Bladen and Cumberland Counties and St. Paul's.

Rev. J. D. Clark is on the sick list.

Miss Harriet Humphrey and Miss —— Hollingsworth, of Fayetteville, spent a few days in upper Bladen last week visiting friends and relatives there.

Several of our boys will go to Georgia from this section this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Shaw, of Lumber Bridge, were here Sunday evening at the funeral of Mrs. A. J. Brannon.

Mr. Arthur M. White, of the ten mile section, was a visitor here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Johnson, of Hope Mills, were here last Sunday at the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. A. J. Brannon.

Died at her home at St. Paul's on Sunday evening at 4:45 o'clock, Mrs. A. J. Brannon. She was a member of the Methodist Church, and has always, in her daily walk and conversation, manifested faith—that Godly life that well assures all who knew her that she has gone home to glory to receive the promised reward, a crown of life everlasting. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Loun Chaffin, the pastor of the Methodist Church, to which she belonged. She leaves to mourn her loss a Godly husband and three sweet little boys, the older one being only 5 years of age. Though she was cut off in the very bloom of her life, only 27 years of age, may the bereaved friends remember that the young and transient flower will bloom sweeter and more beautiful in the Paradise of God.

St. Paul's, N. C., Jan. 10, 1898. B.

Beaver Dam Items.

BEAVER DAM, Jan. 10, 1898.

Mrs. Mary L. Bullard returned to Greensboro last week after spending several months with her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Fisher.

Miss Mary Cooper of Concord, Sampson county, commenced teaching school today, Jan. 10, in the old districts Nos. 3 and 4 now consolidated into one.

Messrs. Alex Hales and Simon Smith killed two very large hogs for back woods farmers. Mr. Hales's hog tiped the beam at 300 pounds and Mr. Smith's at 350 pounds. Some of our farmers will have bacon if Mr. McKinley's "wave of prosperity" dose not come.

Mr. L. B. Willis and Miss Mary L. Beetsale were married Jan. 3rd. at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Alex. Beetsale, G. A. Hall, J. P., officiating. We wish the newly wedded couple a long and happy life.

Mr. Leavitt of Wilmington, N. C., will commence a ten days meeting at Bullard's mill, near Clay Fork, Jan. 13. Mr. Leavitt is a modern Sanctificationist and faith doctor.

Messrs. A. J. and J. A. Hall are going to school this session to the South River Baptist Institute, situated at Autryville, a thriving little village on the C. F. & Y. V. railroad. This school ought to become one of the leading academies of the State. We understand the school is on a boom under the able management of Prof. McIntosh, who is a fine educator.

We understand that Mr. V. C. Bullard is teaching at Oak Hurst in Sampson county.

The old year is gone; yes, the year of 1897 will never come any more; it is gone with all its sorrows, cares and joys and all the broken promises that people have made and failed to keep; with lovers' plighted vows, with politician's false promises; with business men and laboring men's broken contracts; with the drunkard and debauchee near his doom; yes, the year is gone with all these wrong things and numerous others, and when time is past we can't call it back, and right or wrong, the new year is just ushered in, only a few days old, quite in its infancy, so in the beginning of the year 1898, let us make promises for the better, with full intention of keeping them and have will power enough about us to keep those promises and not be found lacking in stability of purpose. If the signs of the times mean anything the year of 1898 holds in store some of the greatest events that history has ever recorded. The historian may dip his pen in ink and have it ready to write down the facts as they come, for when the four leading nations of Europe, with all their greedy nature strike, something is going to be done. China is gone. She had as well bow to the will of Germany, France, England and Russia, for they are bent on showing to the rest of the world that they have not lost any of their former glory.

So watch as time passes by, for history is being made, which will be interesting reading in years to come.

JACK.

The Local Paper.

We take the following from an exchange of recent date:

Said a citizen the other day:

"We expect the local paper to say all of good things about us. It goes to help fill up the news columns and the news is what the people take the paper for." Very true, friend, your argument is all right and very convincing, but did you ever consider that the unpleasant things that the local paper might truthfully say about you—but doesn't—would sell ten papers to the complimentary item's one? We regret that human nature is built that way, but, nevertheless, it is, and the fellow making a little country newspaper in the baliwick where everybody is supposed to know everybody's business better than his own, find it much more difficult to determine what to leave out of the sheet than what to put in it. Thanks, awfully, for the suggestion; you mean well, but you don't know.

Pinehurst Museum—An Old Cumberland Jail Lock.

The Sanford Express of last week says:

Mr. J. W. Tufts, the Boston millionaire, who built and owns Pinehurst, in that county, has opened a museum at this popular resort and is making a collection of all kinds of quaint and historic curiosities. A log cabin built by a man named Wray near Jackson Springs seventy years ago has been presented to the museum. It has been moved to Pinehurst. In describing this old cabin, the Pinehurst Outlook says:

Its lock, of immense size and with wrought iron key nearly a foot in length, belonged to the first jail erected in Fayetteville, N. C. Mr. Archibald McKenzie presented the cabin to Mr. Tufts. The building is located at the foot of the Village Green, directly facing the Holly Inn, and was taken piece by piece from its original site and carefully restored to its original form, under the direction of Mr. B. E. Taylor, of Boston, architect of Pinehurst.

The Consolidated Lumber Company.

The annual meeting of the Consolidated Lumber Company, of Spout Springs, was held at the office of H. McD. Robinson, Esq., Thursday last. The old officers were re-elected, viz: J. Y. Gossler, President; A. B. Williams, Vice-President; H. McD. Robinson, Secretary and Treasurer, and R. W. Hicks, J. D. McNeill and S. H. MacRae, Directors.

The affairs of the corporation were found to be in a very satisfactory condition; but as most of the timber on the company's land has been cut off the company will not further manufacture and will wind up its business as speedily as possible.

The success of this corporation is an evidence of what energy and business capacity can do—it has weathered all sorts of hard times.

Unused School Funds.

The following is a list of the school funds due the different townships in 1896 apportionment, and which it has been decided to add to the general fund:

DUE WHITES.

Cross Creek, No.	2,	$ 1 57
Black River, "	1,	35 00
" " "	7,	10 00
" " "	8,	37 75
Beaver Dam, "	1,	17 00
" " "	3,	11 90
" " "	4,	02
" " "	8,	16
Carver's Cre'k,"	2,	12 90
" " "	7,	12 90
Cedar Creek, "	3,	26 00
" " "	6,	4 00
Gray's Creek, "	3 & 4,	12 00
Little River, "	3,	20 00
Quewhiffle, "	3,	20 00
Rockfish, "	2,	18 31
" "	4,	6 00
" "	6,	57
Seventy-First,"	2,	2 00
Total,		$ 228 58

DUE COLORED.

Cross Creek, No.	2,	$ 1 50	
Black River, "	1,	60 00	
Beaver Dam, "	1,	30 55	
Gray's Creek, "	4,	1 00	
Flea Hill, "	3,	55	
Little River, "	2,	40	
Quewhiffle, "	5,	18 50	
			$ 112 00
			$ 340 58

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure.

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LATEST NEWS

The attorney general still maintains that the railroad commission has no jurisdiction over the matter of rentals of telephones.——The railroad commission Saturday had before it Colonel Andrews, H. W. Miller, J. P. Munson and Agent Potts of the Southern railroad and questioned them as to giving special freight rates to Otho Wilson at Round Knob and as to issuing free passes during the past three years; they all declined to answer and were held in "contempt of court," which matter is to be heard Thursday; the commissioners pretended that they by this investigation were trying to get at the justice of making a reduction of railway rates; Governor Russell visits the commission after the case is adjourned.——Walter C. Murphy is elected president of the North Carolina Society in Washington, D. C.——Judge Purnell writes a sweeping opinion against lotteries. ——The adjutant general's report shows 223 members of the naval reserves. ——The treasury department receives three counterfeit $10 pieces from Danville, Va., where much of this spurious coin has been put in circulation there; the outfit has been captured but the counterfeiters have not.——Republicans of Ohio all over the State are holding indignation meetings, and an immense crowd will be in Columbus on Monday, inauguration day; special precautions have been taken to protect the governor from personal violence. —— Major Moses P. Handy, commissioner to the Paris exposition, died yesterday at Augusta, Ga., where he had gone for his health.——At the Jackson Day banquet at Chicago Saturday night, Hon. W. J. Bryan was the chief speaker; his speech was confined chiefly to a severe arraignment of Secretary Gage.——The Hanna men Saturday night claimed that Griffith had joined their forces and that they had the requisite seventy-three votes; the opposition still maintain that Hanna will be defeated.

The wife and four children of the hospital steward of the penitentiary continue to live in that institution.——Judge Timberlake charges the grand jury of Wake county to indict all merchants who give or sell cigarettes to minors; he also charged against gambling in futures.——The senate confirms the nomination of A. E. Holton, to be district attorney and O. H. Dockery to be marshal in this State. ——Interesting developments are expected at the meeting at St. Louis on the 12th instant of the reorganization meeting of the people's party.——Mrs. Nack has been sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment for the murder of Guldensuppe.——Cotton mill operatives at Burlington, Vt., strike.——A reduction in cotton mill operatives' wages is inaugurated at Putman, Conn.——On February 1st, 1,140 looms in the Manchester (N. H.) cotton mills will be shut down.——The Hawaiian annexation treaty was yesterday taken up in the senate; a motion to debate the question in open senate was discussed for two hours then overwhelmingly defeated, its opponents hinting at some delicate subjects likely to arise in the discussion.—— Advocates of Hawaiian annexation claim that they need only one more vote in order to carry the measure in the senate; its opponents deny this.——The Cubans are besieging the port of Mayari, north coast of Santiago de Cuba; they attack with a rapid fire cannon a fort on a plantation in the same province.

After February 1st the Soldiers' Home will receive one inmate from each county not now represented.—— George Vanderbilt sends the governor many fine plants and shrubs for the executive mansion grounds.——There is a movement on foot to embrace in one national park the battlefields of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness and Spottsylvania Court House, embracing 6,500 acres.——Hon. Charles Russell, assistant United States attorney in the department of justice, has just returned from a trip to Cuba; he spent two weeks traveling over the island in order to find out the true condition of affairs; he says people who have not seen what he has cannot conceive the horrors that exist; there are women and children everywhere starving to death; in most places there is nothing done to relieve the starving and the sick; the reconcentrados are huddled together, with no food and no way to get it but by begging.——Spaniards in Havana are incensed at the contribution of food by Americans for the starving Cubans.

No Democratic Lie.

King's Weekly of January 7th, has the following in regard to the charge that Judge Sutton was drunk while holding court at Tarboro, which charge the Judge has denied, through a number of affidavits:

"The Weekly has not charged that Judge Sutton was drunk at Tarboro. It simply stated what a reliable man said. And that source from which it came, makes us believe there is truth in the rumor. The name of our informant can be had for the asking. If Judge Sutton has 'blood in his eye' he may find the chance to spill it in his own (fusion) family. The statement, to us, was made as coming from one of those parties who makes affidavit that it is untrue. If it's a lie, it's no democratic lie."

What Everybody Knows.

Or ought to know, is that health and even life itself depends upon the condition of the blood. Feeding, as it does, all the organs of the body, it must be rich and pure in order to give proper nourishment. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the blood pure rich and nourishing, and in this way strengthens the nerves, creates an appetite, tones the stomach and builds up the health. Hood's Sarsaparilla wards off colds, pneumonia and fevers, which are prevalent at this time.

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is not only palatable, but it is already digested and made ready for immediate absorption by the system. It is also combined with the hypophosphites, which supply a food not only for the tissues of the body, but for the bones and nerves, and will build up the child when its ordinary food does not supply proper nourishment.

Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. See that the man and fish are on the wrapper.

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Correspondence on all subjects of local and general interest and opinions upon matters public of concern, are invited

The editor will not be responsible for the veiws or statements of correspondents—and reserves the right at all times to revise or correct any article he may think requires it.

One side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous letters.

INDEX TO NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Paine's Celery Compound---Can't Get Rest.

Frank Thornton Dry Goods Co.—New Goods Just Received.

Ledbetter Bros.---Spots on Old Sol's Face.

Failure at Dunn.

The Lee Hardware Company of Dunn assigned Friday, making law yer J. C. Clifford trustee.

Another Heavy Docket.

A little more than a month intervenes between the holding of the last Criminal Court and the next regular term on the 8th of February, yet 67 cases are already on the docket for trial.

Another Postoffice Robbed.

The Mooresville postoffice has been robbed by the daring gang of thieves which is operating in North Carolina. It is the eighth office robbed in three months

Durrant was hanged Friday in San Francisco, for the murder of Blanche Lamont over two years ago. He died protesting his innocence.

Another large batch of turpentine hands left Monday morning for the long leaf pine fields of Georgia.

Dr. Edward Everett Hale will spend the month of March at Pinehurst. He was there last year and liked it so well he will come again.

The Mid-Winter Fair.

The Mid-Winter Fair, January 26th, 27th and 28th, is booming. The citizens, and friends abroad, of the F. I. L. I. are responding heartily to the appeal to make the Fair a great success.

New Postmasters.

The following fourth-class postmasters have been appointed:

North Carolina—Beard, Love McLaurin; Weldon, John H. Howard; Yanceyville, D. T. McKinney.

The Sick.

Master Bennie McMillan remains very ill, we are sorry to say.

Mr. Marion Brandt is recovering from his attack of pneumonia, and was able to sit up a little while yesterday.

Grand Lodge of Masons.

Mr. C. W. Elliott, representing the Phœnix Lodge of this city and Mr. W. L. Williams, representing the Cape Fear Lodge of Little River Academy, went to Oxford Tuesday to attend the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons.

Changes in the C. F. & Y. V. Office.

The Wilmington Star of Sunday says:

Mr. R. H. Cowan, who has been for five years in the service of the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad, gives up his position as receiving clerk to take a place with Mr. Jas. C. Morrison in the brokerage business. Mr. George James, another popular young man, takes Mr. Cowan's place.

New Postmasters.

The following presidential postmasters were nominated yesterday for North Carolina: William Ormsby, Salem; Philip H. Lybrook, Winston; Jos. D. Martin, Tarboro.

The New Campbellton Methodist Minister.

Rev. B. H. Black, the Campbellton preacher, came Friday morning and will enter at once on his duties. Mr. Black is a son of the late Dr. W. S. Black, who for many years was a member of the M. E. Conference. The young man is a genial, consecrated minister, and will no doubt do a good work in his new field.

The "Big Six" Entertained.

Mr. E. L. Remsburg entertained the "Big Six" Orchestra, of which he is leader, and their wives, at his residence on St. James Square Thursday evening. Several hours were whiled away most pleasantly in conversation and music, during which delicious refreshments were served.

Funeral of Mrs. Worth.

The funeral of the late Mrs. J. A. Worth took place from the Presbyterian Church Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The large concourse of friends who attended, and the great number of floral tributes, attested in a slight degree the high regard in which the deceased lady was held.

The followiug were the pall-bearers: Messrs. A. B. Williams, A. A. McKethan, H. R. Horne, D. H. Ray, J. B. Smith, J. D. McNeill, Andrew Broadfoot and E. L. Pemberton.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. KING BROS.

Some fine running is being made by the A. C. L. fast trains now, and if reports are true, after Jan. 17, when the "Florida specials" go on the boys will have abundant opportunity to show their mettle.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lungs troubles. KING BROS.

Rev. F. A. Bishop, Presiding Elder of this District, and his family, are occupying the residence on Haymount recently vacated by Capt. W. E. Kyle.

People and Their Movements.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. H. McMillan, of Savannah, Ga., are welcome visitors in the city.

Mr. O. H. Dockery, Jr., of Rockingham, is in the city the guest of Mr. Paul Slocomb.

Miss Mamie Alexander returned Saturday night from a visit to friends in Washington and Baltimore.

Mr. Arnold Borden, a prominent citizen and cotton mill man of Goldsboro, spent Sunday in the city.

Mr. Jas. T. Matthews has gone to Savannah, Ga., where he has accepted a position with a naval store firm.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Overman, who have been spending the Christmas holidays very pleasantly here, returned home Friday.

Mr. B. G. Worth came up from Wilmington Tuesday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. A. Worth.

Mr. H. M. Flagler passed this city going South Monday night on a special train consisting of two private cars.

Capt. J. H. McIver of the North Carolina penitentiary is in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. C. C. Adams.

Rev. Chas. McGougan and family of Georgia are in the city visiting Mrs. McGougan's grandmother, Mrs. Massey.

Mr. J. B. Downing, the "corn king" of Cumberland, is loading a car with bulk corn at the A. C. L. depot for shipment South.

Mrs. R. A. Southerland and Miss Sallie Purdie left Saturday for Washington, D. C., on a week's visit to friends.

The Patons, who did a business in photography here, have left for Wilson where they will pitch their tent for business.

The many friends of Capt. J. D. Bulluck are delighted to see him on the passenger run again. He has been sick quite a while.

Ex-Secretary Whitney passed Fayetteville Saturday night, en route from Aiken to New York. He occupied one of those elaborate special Wagner cars.

Mr. D. A. Autry, a staunch son of old Cumberland and now a prosperous turpentine operator of Autryville, Ga., left Monday with about thirty hands to work in his woods.

Laid at Rest.

The funeral of the late Miss Mary E. Birdsall was held Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, the services being conducted at the residence of Mrs. P. H. Lutterloh, by the Rev. H. Tucker Graham. The remains were interred in Cross Creek cemetery in the presence of a number of friends and relatives of the deceased.

The following officiated as pall bearers: Messrs. W. N. Tillinghast, I. B. Hawley, A. B. Williams, H. R. Horne, W. G. Hall and W. L. Hawley.

The New German Club.

A number of young men met at McKethan's Hall Thursday night and perfected arrangements for the organization of a new German Club. Mess. Jno. Thomson, Hector McGeachy and Chas. Elliott were appointed a Committee to draft by-laws and report to a meeting next Monday night.

Election of Bank Officers.

The directors of the Bank of Fayetteville met Friday and elected the following officers:

H. W. Lilly, President.
J. R. Williams, Vice President.
J. C. Haigh, Cashier.
E. J. Lilly, Ass't Cash. and Bookkeeper.
G. G. Myrover, Teller.
H. J. Marsh, Discount Bookkeeper.
A. B. Williams, Jr., Collector.
Col. C. W. Broadfoot, Attorney.

An Explanation in Regard to the School Fund Apportionment.

The school apportionment published elsewhere shows an apparent excess of funds given to the colored schools in Cross Creek over the amount given to the white schools. This arises from a neglect on the part of the Board of Education to specify the schools more particularly. The amount stated for the whites in Cross Creek is for the Graded School alone. The amount stated as "for colored" should have been put as to "the school committee of Cross Creek," which has charge of 3 schools—one white (the Campbellton school to which some $250 will probably be given by the committee), the colored graded school and the colored school No. 2, in the northern part of the town.

Well Said.

A valued subscriber from Union county writes us as follows:

Find enclosed check for amount due you. Our people in this section are for a straight fight for White Supremacy and the White Metal, and we are going to win. Our once old Democratic county has now a lot of negro magistrates, something that never was before, and the white people are coming together. We are going to open all of our Democratic Primaries to all white people of all parties to come in with us and participate in them, and next November we will wipe up the party that is in opposition to White Supremacy. Your paper has the true ring to it, and I am with you in the fight.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Death of Mrs. J. A Worth.

We are grieved to announce the death of Mrs. Worth, the widow of Mr. Joseph A. Worth, which occurred at her residence on Haymount at 4 o'clock Monday morning.

Mrs. Worth, who was Miss Walker, and a grand daughter of Judge Archibald Murphy, was born in Randolph county, and was seventy three years of age. She was greatly beloved by a wide circle of friends, who admired her high Christian character and many gentle virtues, as well as her decided mental gifts. She had been a devoted member of the Presbyterian church since her girlhood. She was a model wife and mother, and a good neighbor. She was also modest and retiring in her disposition, after the fashion of the matrons of the Old South.

The deceased lady leaves three sons, Capt. A. H. Worth, Mr. John M. Worth and Mr. Stephen Worth; and five daughters, Mrs. Duncan O'Hanlon (Miriam), Mrs. Anders (Louisa), Mrs. Thomas Murphy (Kate), Mrs. J. S. Moody (Irene), and Mrs. N. A. Sinclair (Augusta).

A good woman. Blessed be her memory.

Meeting of Board of Aldermen.

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session Monday with Mayor W. S. Cook presiding, J. A. Pemberton, A. A. McKethan, C. B. McMillan, J. W. Johnson, E. J. Kennedy, R. L. Holland, J. B. Underwood, J. F. Johnson, J. G. Hollingsworth and R. G. Haigh present.

Several small bills were passed.

A resolution passed May, 1881, by the Mayor and Commissioners of Fayetteville was re enacted, and the Mayor and Secretary were instructed to execute a quit claim deed to the property now held by the Masonic fraternity. This property was conveyed in 1793, by Jas. Hogg to the use of that fraternity, and in the event that the order became defunct it was to revert to the City of Fayetteville.

A bridge to cost not exceeding $35, was ordered built across the gully near the residence of Mr. J. E. Garrett.

Various nuisances in the Fifth Ward were ordered abated.

I. O. O. F Installation and Banquet.

Monday night at Odd Fellows Hall on Hay street Grand Secretary B. H. Woodell, of Raleigh, installed into office for the ensuing term the following officers of Cross Creek, Lodge, No. 4:

Noble Grand—S. W. Tillinghast.
Vice Grand—H. B. Everett.
Warden—A. E Bramble.
Conductor—J. M. Graddy.
Secretary—T. F. Lewis.
Fin. Secretary—W. D. Gaster.
Treasurer—H. R. Horne.

The following officers were appointed and installed:

R. S. N. G.—H. L. Cook.
L. S. N. G.—C. H. Williams.
R. S. S.—Henry Holloman.
L. S. S.—T. F. Buckingham.
Outside Guard—T. H. Harris.
Inside Guard—Jno. Hollingsworth.
R. S. V. G.—Alex. Strickland.
L. S. V. G.—D. J. Breece.
Ch'n Finance Com.—H. L. Cook.
Ch'n Supervision Com.—J. R. Williams.
Ch'n Library Com.—J. R. Williams.
Chaplain—B. C. Gorham.
Visiting Com. at Large—D. Sessoms.

After the installation Grand Secretary Woodell delivered an eloquent and instructive address on the duties, obligations and work of odd fellowship. A large number of members were present and felt new inspiration in the work.

After the lodge closed Bro. W. D. Gaster announced that an oyster supper had been prepared with other refreshments. The refreshments were served by the city cafe and its corps of servants, and quite a while was spent pleasantly in social converse.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. KING BROS.

The Observer Reaches Everywhere.

We received the following letter Sunday (which we have turned over to Mr. Newton Smith for attention) which explains itself:

DILLON, MONTANA, Jan. 4, 1898.

To the Editor:

It is pretty old now, but I have just come across the letter of Newton H. Smith published in the Observer in December, 1895, about colony lands.

Will you or some of your subscribers tell us what that "71st township" is like, and what you can offer a colony of one hundred families who would like to go South?

What can we buy say 8,000 acres for? And about lumber, what is the price, and can it be shipped to advantage? What is the price of cord wood in your town for local use or shipping. Please send me a copy of your paper.

Yours truly,
O. C. WELLER,
Dillon, Montana.

Winnie High School.

Correspondence of the Observer]

The third week of the Winnie High School has just closed with an enrollment of eighty-one pupils, and the management is assured that there will be 100 pupils in the School before the end of the first session. Why not? This is a remarkable healthy locality, fine mineral water, moral community, board and tuition cheap and 200 local pupils in reach of the school; non-resident students are coming.

Success to the OBSERVER and Winnie High School for the year 1898.

"CORRESPONDENT."

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The Election of Hanna.

Wednesday's press dispatches say:

"The factional warfare against Senator Hanna is not over. It will have at least one more day of charges and countercharges. The fight has never been more bitter than tonight. Senator Hanna received 73 votes today, a majority of 1 over all in a total membership of 109. The senate voted 19 for McKisson and 17 for Hanna. The house vote stood: Hanna 56, McKisson 49, Wiley 1, Warner 1, Lentz 1, and absent 1.

"With Hanna having a majority of three in the house, McKisson having a majority in the senate, the chair will announce tomorrow that there was no election today and that a joint ballot will be in order.

"If all the senators and representatives are recorded on the joint ballot tomorrow as they were recorded today on their respective ballots, Senator Hanna will have a majority of only one over all.

"With the result apparently hanging on the change of only one vote the contest has continued all night as it has been going on other nights for the past two weeks.

"While the bureaus of claims and charges are in full operation on both sides tonight as usual, there are also reports about the bribery charges being presented to the grand juries of Hamilton and Franklin counties.

"The Democratic steering committee of the fusionists tonight issued the following manifesto:"

To the Public:

"Marcus A. Hanna will not be elected by this legislature.

(Signed.) "ALLEN O. MYERS,
"JAMES KOSS,
"R. M. DITTY."

Where the School Fund Comes From.

The following are the sources from which the revenue for the public schools for the current year are derived. The total, it is thought by the school authorities, will be sufficient to run all the schools for ten months, this as the result, we are informed, of the new revenue from the Dispensary:

Real and Personal Property, 2,908,090 @ 18		$ 7,335.56
Railroad Property, $7,825.13, @18,		1,408 52
Bank Stock, $41,230, @ 18,		74.21
Unlisted Real and Personal, $135,458, @ 18,		2,438.24
Unlisted Bank Stock, $1,080, @18,		5 54
Dispensary,		1,200.03
2,185 White Polls @ $1.50,		3,277 50
1,148 Colored Polls @ $1.50,		1,722.00
Received from the State,		893.94
Received for Fines, &c.,		51.63
		$16,347 14
DEDUCT—		
800 Insolvents @ $1.50		$1 200.00
School Funds—loss on land sales		200.00
Sheriff's Commissions		750.70
Treasurer's Commissions		200.28
Contingent Expenses		2.0 00
Errors in Unlisted Property Estimates		600.00
		$ 3,2?0.98

The Dunn Homicide.

We have a letter from lawyer F. P. Jones, of Dunn, stating that the dispatch from Dunn, in regard to the killing of Campbell by Tom Atkins, did injustice to his client, Atkins. Among other things he says:

It is not true that "John Campbell was well thought of by all classes." It is well known that he was a drinking character, and exceedingly fond of the society of bad women, a fact that he himself made no attempt to conceal; that he had for some time been criminally intimate with Tom Atkins' wife.

Tom Atkins has as good a character as the average colored man, and the only evidence pointing to Tom's guilt was that blood was traced from Campbell's body to within forty or fifty feet of Atkins's house, and the further fact that it was known that there was a criminal intimacy between John Campbell and Tom Atkins's wife. It is absolutely untrue as to the supposed efforts of lynching, as I have just seen the Sheriff and Marshals, and they unhesitatingly say that they know of no attempt whatever along that line; that John Campbell may have had some strong friends, but they are confined to his comrades in drinking and debauchery.

Now Mr. Editor we are glad to know that your paper circulates very extensively in Harnett county, and as the matter stands, in your issue of the 30th unanswered, it is well calculated to work up a prejudice against Tom Atkins; a thing you would hastily condemn, and we ask you to publish the above refutation as a matter of simple justice to an unfortunate negro now incarcerated in a lonely dungeon in Fayetteville, who has no chance to make a denial for himself.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. KING BROS.

The Mid-Winter Fair.

Correspondence of the Observer.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
Jan'y 8th, 1898.

MR. EDITOR:—We have been asked by a great many people, "What do you want for the Mid-Winter Fair?"

Will you kindly allow us to say through your paper that we want *anything we can sell*, be it something to eat or drink, something useful or ornamental; in other words, most anything. What we do not sell otherwise will be auctioned off.

We will also appreciate it very much if any of our friends who are near enough to town to do so will send us a load of evergreens. We will need a large lot of these to suitably decorate our armory. We will need quite a number of pine, cedar and holly trees, say 6 or 8 feet high.

We will be glad to have these delivered at the armory on and after Friday, 14th inst.

B. R. HUSKE,
Chm'n Ex. Com.

The Coming Woman.

Who goes to her club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good old fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for these women is Electric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women. Female complaints and nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only 50c per bottle. For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Son.

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There are degrees of sleeplessness from the wide-awake state to the sleep which does not refresh and has in it only the mockery of rest.

Such sleep is not tired nature's sweet restorer Dreams have power to torture and to depress. Sleep, therefore, is not always rest, but trouble, and a troubled sleep brings to the brain-worker loss of power for thought and labor.

It is a well-known fact that for any part to perform actively its duties, it must have an abundance of blood; but when the power of locally regulating the supply of blood in the brain is impaired because of insufficient nerve power the tired brain grinds the same old grist over and over till nervous prostration, paralysis or hysteria ensues.

The cause of sleeplessness is so clear that the cure is equally apparent. The nerves must recover their grip. The health-wrecking laxity of the blood vessels must be corrected

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Feed the exhausted nerve tissues with Paine's celery compound.

By thus acting on the nerves Paine's celery compound is able to regulate the blood supply and permanently banish sleeplessness that shortens so many lives, especially among those beyond middle age. In addition to this indirect control over the circulation, Paine's celery compound directly increases the amount of blood in the arteries and arouses the purifying organs to drive out impurities that often lurk in it undeveloped for years till age or a "rundown" condition allow them to get the upper hand

A pale, languid woman is not more of a lady than a rosy, robust one

Women leading lives of imperfect health, with pains and aches running riot through their "run down" bodies, are often ignorant of the fact that it is not a specific for nervousness or rheumatism or stomach trouble that they need, but fundamental building up of every tissue of their bodies and a through cleansing of their blood. The strengthening of the constitution and the eradication of latent disease that Paine's celery compound achieves leaves no fear of that treacherous partial recovery that keeps one always afraid of relapse and sudden break-down.

Paine's celery compound rests on the wise modern conclusion of the best medical thought that the remedy that invigorates the entire system and purifies it, is the only safe cure for such localized diseases as rheumatism, neuralgia, sleeplessness, eczema, headaches and blood diseases.

It is a common harmful idea that health keeps pace with strength. People seem to think that one can determine the health of persons by measuring their arms. Health means absence of pain and the presence of more or less nerve intensity and enjoyment in the mere fact of living.

All this implies abundantly nourished organs and blood unhampered by diseased humors.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
Cumberland County—In the Superior Court.

Susanna Averitt vs. John T. Averitt,

Notice.

The defendant above-named will take notice that an action entitled as above has commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County the purpose of the same being to secure a dissolution of the bonds of matrimony existing between the above named parties; and the said defendant will further take notice, that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 3rd Monday after the first Monday in March, 1898, at the Court House of said County in Fayetteville, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

CYRUS MURPHY,
Clerk of the Superior Court.
Nov. 29, 1897—6w

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" —ham	10@13
" —sides	9@10
" —shoulders	8@8½
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	38@40
Peas—clay	55a60
" —mixed	60
Meal—bolted—44 lbs per bushel	45@55
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@50
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel	50
Onions—select—per bushel	75@90
Lard—N. C.	8@8½
Tallow	2½@4
Ducks	18@20
Hens—per head	25
Roosters—per head	15 a 20
Turkeys—per lb	7 a 8½
Guineas	16
Geese	25 a 35
Butter—choice yellow	25 a 30
Honey—strained—per lb	9 a 10
" —comb—per lb	8 a 13
Eggs—hen—	10c
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J. K. SESSOMS.

We are very much pleased indeed with our Buck stove, and consider it the very best stove we have ever used, as it gives entire satisfaction. C. J. HEDGPETH.

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HUSKE HARDWARE HOUSE.

General News of Interest.

Jno. C. Davis was discharged from the Insane Asylum Saturday, after being notified that criminal action had been nol prossed in Wilmington.

Davis leaves for Washington, D. C., Tuesday next, where he will engage in business.

The Wilmington Star of Sunday says: Solicitor M. C. Richardson, seen last night, states that he has directed the prosecution to be deferred as long as Davis remains out of Wilmington.

The Florence Times of Saturday says:

"Last night about 10 o'clock Andrew J. Welch shot and killed himself in the Palace drug store. The weapon used was a 38-calibre pistol, and the wound inflicted was in the upper part of the stomach. After the deed was done Mr. Welch lived about an hour. He suffered intensely and death came as a relief."

[Welch had been detected in taking a letter from the postoffice out of another's box. He was followed by the postmaster and words ensued. Both men drew pistols, but the wound from which Welch died was from his own weapon.]

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It opposes any political movement by Democrats outside of the Democratic organization. It stands by every plank in the Chicago platform, as the true expression of Democracy. Accepting the restoration of "White Supremacy" as the paramount issue, it believes that the Democracy should lose no time in shaping its course to that end. It is plain that the blacks, who rigidly drew the color line in the late election, will not assist the whites in the restoration of white supremacy. It is equally plain that the Republican allies of the blacks, who have demonstrated their negrophilism by thirty years of fusion with the blacks, will not assist in restoring white supremacy. The Observer therefore favors consideration of the question, "How shall the reunion of the two wings of Vance's Democracy be effected," so that the masses of the Democratic party may be justly represented in the next Convention. It is unalterably opposed to fusion—that is, to any political combination which requires a sacrifice of Democratic principles as duly expressed by the party.

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E. J. HALE, Editor and Proprietor
E. J. HALE, JR., Business Mangr,

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A—Miss Martha Anesson.
B—Mr. A. Baker.
C—John S. Childs, W. H. Crosswell, Peater N. Colains, L. A. Coleman.
D—Henry Durdan.
E—Rev. Elizer, Miss Morgan Elliott, David Evlays.
F—Mrs. G. A. Fraldville.
G—Mr. Grannaman, Natiom Giltmore, R. B. Gibson, R. B. Gibson, J. E. Godwin.
J—Miss Withe Jackson, Mayor Johnson.
K—Lester King.
R—Miss Martha Ray.
M—Mrs. W. C. Monroe, Mrs. Elojone McAllister.
P—Ambost Pottage, W. F. Pulliam, Mrs. Maggy Powell.
R—Henry Rains.
S—Place Streets.
W—W. E. Williford, W. R. Williams.
E—G. Evans.

Returned dead letter, S. B. Williams.

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Meeting of Board of Education.

The Board of Education met Monday with T. C. Bain, chairman, J. C. McCorquodale and P. N. Melchoir present. A few matters of minor importance were disposed of, and the Board adjourned to meet the following morning.

J. C. McCorquodale was called to the chair, and on motion of J. C. Bain, the several balances as reported by the County Treasurer as due the several school districts for the year 189 , be charged up against said several Districts, by the County Treasurer, and the amount of the same, to-wit: $340.55, be applied to the *deficit* of the year 1896.

On motion, Col. Alderman being before the board, was directed to turn over to the Chairman of the Board of Education the note and mortgage given to secure the purchase money of certain land in Pender county which was sold by a commissioner appointed by the court as the property of one —— Blanton, to satisfy a forfeiture on the part of said Blanton, the mortgage originally being given to the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cumberland County in lieu of a bond in case State vs. said Blanton.

The Board then proceeded to make the school apportionment for the current year, copies of which are attached.

SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT.

WHITES.

Beaver Dam,	266 sch's at	$1.14,	$303.24
Black River,	507 "	"	577.98
Carver's Cr'k,	453 "	"	516 42
Cedar Creek,	789 "	"	899.46
Cross Creek,	1661 "	"	1682.50
Flea Hill,	574 "	"	654 36
Gray's Creek,	300 "	"	342.00
Little River,	104 "	"	118 56
Pearce's Mill,	95 "	"	108 30
Quewhiffle,	184 "	"	209.76
Rockfish,	765 "	"	872.10
Seventy-Fir't,	696 "	"	793.44
	6394		$7289.16

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Beaver Dam,	158 sch's at	$1.14,	$180.12
Black River,	220 "	"	250 80
Carver's Cr'k,	320 "	"	364 80
Cedar Creek,	433 "	"	493 62
Cross Creek,	1350 "	"	1750.04
Flea Hill,	578 "	"	658 92
Gray's Creek,	403 "	"	459 42
Little River,	109 "	"	124.26
Pearce's Mill,	190 "	"	216 60
Quewhiffle,	289 "	"	329 46
Rockfish,	225 "	"	256 50
Seventy-First,	772 "	"	880.08
	5047		$5753.58

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A—Miss Lina Atkison, Miss Louvenia Atkison, W. B. Allen.
B—Priston G. Birks, H. J. Battle 2.
C—John S. Child, Treacie Clifton, Miss Luvenia Council, Miss V. A. Covington.
E—N. W. Evans.
G—Miss M. E. Guy.
E—Thiof Evans.
G—Stella Gregary, Katie Gray.
H—E. A. Hatch, J. D. Hargrave, W. J. Hall.
K—Miss Lillie Kelly.
L—Mrs. Geo. Lefflee.
Mc—Callie McDougle, Mrs. M. M. McNeill, A. L. McLaurin.
M—Mrs. Mary J. Moore, Miss Sarah Moses, Cattie Monroe, Rev. Isaac Melvin.
P—A. A. Parker, Mrs. Alice Petyfoot.
R—T. Ricaud, Jr., Miss Cilla Richson, Red C Oil Mfg Co.
T—John Tyner.
W—W. R. Williams, Jno. T. Wiggins, T. J. Word.
Y—Isaac Young.

Persons calling for any of above letters please say advertised.

W. D. GASTER, P. M.

Jurors for February Court.

The following jurors were drawn for the February Criminal Court:

Jas. Pate, Gray's Creek; Ralph Jessup, Cross Creek; D. J. Lockamy, Black River; Dan Melvin, (col.) Gray's Creek; W. H. Gibson, 71st; A. R. Burney, 71st; M. W. Bain, Black River; Marsh Spearman, (col.) Gray's Creek; T. L. Sessoms, Flea Hill; W. T. Matthews, Cross Creek; Evander Bullard, Cedar Creek, Wm. Powers, Carver's Creek; Robt. Carter, 71st; W. W. Horne, Cross Creek; L. M. Jordan, Cedar Creek; Robt. H. Williams, (col.) Cross Creek; R. E. Ellis, Gray's Creek; Morris Hall, Beaver Dam; J. H. Rhodes, Black River; J. C. Williams, Black River; D. R. Henderson, (col.) Cross Creek; G. L. Hall, Beaver Dam; J. A. Howard, 71st; J. D. Monroe, 71st; J. H. Culbreth, Cross Creek; Henry McLeod, Little River; Jno. G. Oehrl, Cross Creek; Dan. McLaurin, (col.) Cedar Creek; H. P. Byrd, Carver's Creek; W. S. Blue, Quewhiffle; J. E. Wood, Black River; A. M. Deal, Rockfish; J. V. McFadyen, 71st; W. O. Johnson, Cross Creek; W. J. Peterson, Quewhiffle; D. W. Trogden, Rockfish.

Emancipation Day.

Monday was observed by the negroes of this community as "Emancipation Day," instead of Saturday, the real date. Great crowds of their race, from town and country, lined the streets to witness the procession of horsemen, floats and so forth, some thousand strong, which escorted the orator of the day to Evans Chapel, where the ceremonies were held.

Our colored people have nothing, we think we may say, but the good will and good wishes of the whites in all that tends to their moral and physical betterment.

Take Vick's Little Liver Pills for Constipation and Torpid Liver.

Were Born in 1810.

The McLean brothers, of Harnett county, are the oldest living twins, if we may judge by the piece we publish below. Hugh and Hector McLean are 87 years old, consequently they were born in 1810. They have lived during all these long years, following the trade of tailoring, near Lillington in Harnett county, making frequent visits, however, to this city. They were here recently walking around the streets in the best of health greeting their old, or rather, young friends. They were never married and are fairly well off in worldly goods. Some years ago they had coffins made after their own design, in which to be buried. The following is the article referred to, and which has been going the rounds of the press of the United States, including the pictures of the old ladies:

"The claim of the Newell brothers, of Missouri, that they are the oldest pair of twins in the country, will not hold, according to a correspondent of the Chicago Times-Herald. Mrs. H. H. Johnson, recently of Kankahee, Ill., and now of Omaha, Neb., and Mrs. David Noggle, of Janesville, Wis., are one month older. These ladies are the twin children—Polly M. and Anna M.—of Benjamin and Eunice Mosher Lewis, and were born at Bristol, N. Y., May 29, 1815. They were the youngest of fifteen children. The twins went to Milan, Ohio, when about seventeen, married there, and in 1837 Mrs. Noggle came to Wisconsin to live the life of a pioneer. Mrs. Noggle is a woman of native ability and can tell many interesting tales of early life in Wisconsin. She is the mother of seven children. The sisters are both in full possession of their faculties and are as active as women of sixty five."

What We are Getting for Letting the Republicans in.

Chatham Record.

One year of Republican rule in North Carolina should be sufficient to convince of their folly those Democrats who deserted their old party and aided in placing their state in the control of a party that is utterly unfit to govern any Southern state. Yes, at the close of 1897, after the Republicans have had control of our good old state for a whole year, it may not be improper to ask what is the result and has it benefitted our people?

Who will say that the past year of Republican rule has benefited the people of North Carolina?

How?
Are taxes any lower?
Are there any fewer officers?
Are public expenses any less?
Are farm products any higher?
Are the fees and salaries of public officers any less?

Who will dare to answer "Yes" to any one of the above questions?

The verdict of all honest men must be "Weighed in the balance and found wanting."

The Real Issue.

Norfolk Pilot.]

Whether the Greenbacks, as an original issue, were constitutional or not, is a dead matter, and one of trifling moment in "the condition that confronts us." These Greenbacks have been held to be lawful by our highest authority, and they form a large portion of what remains after the sneak-thief and unconstitutional demonetization of even the coined silver dollar to a subordinate to gold. The issue now is between contraction and expansion, or, at least, the stoppage of contraction. Every Democrat, and everyone who really understands the actual situation, must now rally to the Greenbacks, no matter what he formerly thought of their creation, and especially when they are attacked by the very men who had them issued, and now wish them retired only to further contract our currency and to further contract our legal tender currency and to further increase the purchasing power of gold.

The Little Country Paper.

New York Herald.

The morning papers lay on the seat beside him in the elevated train. He was reading with eagerness an awkward, crumpled little sheet. The printing of the paper was uncouth, for it looked as though half the letters were smashed. The impression of the type was dull and blurred.

It was the weekly paper, printed in the little town where this prosperous, well dressed New Yorker had been born and bred. Many a man who has carved his fortune in this city hails the little country paper every week as a welcome messenger. It tells how the crops are flourishing, how the fences are being whitewashed every spring, and, perhaps, once in a while there is a paragraph about the dear old mother, who has got into print by entertaining the sewing circle.

And the prosperous New Yorker reads it entire, while the metropolitan sheets lie beside him unheeded.

The Negro Vote in Louisiana.

New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Some idea of the sweeping effect that the new registration law has had in eliminating the negro vote can be had from the reports that have reached the city from a few of the country parishes. In the parish of Plaquemines, which formerly had a negro registration of 2,500, only five blacks have so far registered. In the parish of West Baton Rouge five negroes are said to have presented themselves up to last week for registration, but none were competent, and in consequence all were refused. Unless things have changed in the last few days there is not a negro on the registration rolls in West Baton Rouge.

The Whites Getting Together.

Whiteville News.

It is somewhat significant that the Democrats and Populists in Congress held party caucuses and adopted resolutions identical in meaning. They resolve to "resist all efforts to retire greenbacks and treasury notes" and "all attempts to extend the privileges of national banks;" they both favor the early recognition of the belligerency of the Cubans, and favor the early enactment of the bankruptcy law.

Royally Entertained.

Mrs. Geo. E. Ijams entertained the Ladies' Book Club, with the husbands of the members, at her lovely home on Dick street Thursday evening. The entertainment and the hospitality of the host and hostess are spoken of with enthusiasm by those present. "It was indeed a royal reception" they say.

Wise Words from The Mascot.

Mr. Bryan's speech-making and book-writing seems not to have hurt him in Mexico just as they did not here in the United States. You know that our wisest and most knowing North Carolina newspapers said that these things would kill him. Is it possible that they were mistaken and must we get new prophets?

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It is very probable that Judge Dick, of the Federal Court, will retire in the spring. We are not troubling about who his successor will be. The railroads and corporations will without doubt name his successor, as they have named all Federal judges since the war, with very few, if any, exceptions. Under all administrations of the recent past the power of the great railroad corporations to name pliant tools for the Federal judgeships has been unlimited, and the judges have stood by their creators in all things after getting their appointments. A citizen who has a suit against a railroad corporation almost always loses in the Federal Courts, not from adverse verdicts of the juries, but because the judges will not allow the verdicts to stand. The lawyers are beginning to understand that their cases for damages against railroads must always be for less amounts than $2,000, so that railroads cannot remove them to the Federal Courts, as removals to those courts usually mean immunity to the railroads. The life tenure of these judges is a menace to our institutions and the rights of the people.

Singular Accident in Charlotte.

Charlotte News, Jan. 3]

One of the most unusual accidents that has ever taken place in Charlotte, occurred on South College street, in the colored settlement last night between seven and eight o'clock.

The family of Ed. Roseborough (colored) were seated around the fire. A fresh stick of wood was thrown on, and there was an immediate explosion that shook the whole house like an earthquake, while a broadside of bullets poured from the fire-place. The mother and four children were seated around the fire and when the list of the wounded was made up it was found that five were wounded. Roseborough's wife was shot in the neck and thigh; a seven-year-old child was shot in the stomach; another child was shot in the eye; another was shot simultaneously in both shoulders; and the fourth one had his hand torn almost off and was shot in the mouth. They are all seriously wounded, and the bullets or slugs have not yet been located.

Roseborough was out of the house at the time. He thinks there must have been as many as thirty-two bullets in the stick of wood. He says he bought the wood at Taylor's wood yard on Ninth street. He does not know who loaded the stick. He is a deserving, hard-working colored man and is employed at Page and Medlin's shop.

England's Chinese Policy.

A London cable of Wednesday says:

The Times, commenting editorially this morning upon the statement of the Cologne Gazette that since Thursday last negotiations have been proceeding in London for a Chinese loan, upon the proposed security of the land tax and a cession of territory, denies that England has any intention to take the lead in the partition of China. It says:

"England's policy, on the contrary, aims at maintaining the Chinese Empire as a going concern and a vast field for the extension of trade. In pursuing this policy, we are glad to note that England enjoys the powerful support of the United States government, as well as the public opinion of that portion of the American people which is not swayed by jingo denunciations."

The editorial considers the government would be justified in incurring "reasonable financial risks, which might formerly be properly regarded as outside the scope of government action," in order to combat the measures restrictive of trade which Russia and Germany are seeking to obtain from China in the shape of railway and mining monopolies and the like.

This Year's Elections.

The elections for 1898 will be more general and of far greater importance than those of this year.

In addition to the choice of a new house of representatives and of legislatures in several of the states that will elect senators, the following states will elect governors: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

These contests will be national in their character, covering as they will every part of the union.

Scrofula

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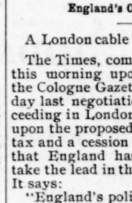
Mrs. Y. T. Buck, of Delaney, Ark., had Scrofula for twenty-five years and most of the time was under the care of the doctors who could not relieve her. A



specialist said he could cure her, but he filled her with arsenic and potash which almost ruined her constitution. She then took nearly every so-called blood medicine and drank them by the wholesale, but they did not reach her trouble. Some one advised her to try S.S.S. and she very soon found that she had a real blood remedy at last. She says: "After taking one dozen bottles of S.S.S. I am perfectly well, my skin is clear and healthy and I would not be in my former condition for two thousand dollars. Instead of drying up the poison in my system, like the potash and arsenic, S.S.S. drove the disease out through the skin, and I was permanently rid of it."

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LATEST NEWS.

Governor Russell pays a visit to the State farms.——The North Carolina and Georgia railroad is trying to buy the Ohio River and Charleston road.——The president appoints O. L. Smith, of this State, minister to Liberia——A government expert examines the coal discovered near King's Mountain and pronounces it a good quality of anthracite.—— More New England mills post notices of reduction of wages.——Senator Teller introduces a resolution declaring the bonds of the United States payable in silver.——There was no change in the Ohio senatorial contest yesterday; both branches of the legislature adjourned until Monday; The leaders on both sides are hard at work; Hanna says he will withdraw for no one; a long contest is expected.—— The conduct of the Hanna men in the senatorial fight has been laid before the grand jury.——The breach among the republicans of the lower house of the Maryland legislature continues; the house had to adjourn yesterday without organizing.——The Hawaiian annexation treaty will be taken up in the senate Monday; its advocates are more hopeful of getting the requisite sixty votes for its ratification——Durrant's attorneys will apply to the governor and to the federal supreme court in his behalf; in the meantime preparations for the execution tomorrow have been completed.——The New Bedford operatives decide to strike.——There is a general feeling in England that the situation in the far east is improving; the Pall Mall Gazette says the disposition of England's warships shows that she is determined to have a voice in any further arrangements.—— China has yielded to Germany and cedes Kiao-Chou bay to that nation.——Dr. Shenck, of Vienna, claims to have discovered the secret of exercising influence over females so as to fix the sex of their offspring.

Chairman Caldwell, of the railway commission is angry with Otho Wilson for saying Caldwell and Pearson broke into the commission's office like thieves.——Contempt proceedings are begun in the federal supreme court against Caldwell and Pearson for taking forcible possession of the railroad commission's office.——The governor and the federal supreme court both refuse to interfere in the case of Durrant; the condemned man and his parents have given up all hope.——William T. Buckley, until January 1st, a member of the firm of Dunham, Buckley & Co., of New York, commits suicide.——Conservative estimates last night placed the vote for senator in the Ohio legislature at 75 to 70 against Hanna; one of Hanna's seventy is classed as doubtful; the Hanna men claim seventy one votes and assurances of the two necessary ones; the combine say Hanna will not get seventy votes; the combine has been aggressive up to the present time; it is now giving its attention to keeping its men in line; the trouble will be to get a man on whom they can unite; the democratic organ urges the democratic members to vote for any man the bolting republicans nominate.——Another Massachusetts mill cuts wages.——The deadlock in the Maryland house of representatives continues.——One of the clerks of the American Express company in New York robs the company of $10,582 and disappears.——The North German Gazette says affairs in east Asia are becoming more tranquil; England and Russia are not now so antagonistic to Germany.

The railroad commission issues an order, to take effect February 1st, reducing yearly rates of rental for telephones; the commission also began an investigation into the matter of the Southern railroad last year giving Otho Wilson or his mother reduced freight rates to Round Knob.——Joseph J. Martin is the compromise candidate for United States district attorney for this district.——Durrant was hanged yesterday; he met death without flinching and on the scaffold declared his innocence of the crime for which he was about to be hanged.—— At Hahnville, La., three negroes were hanged for murder; one of them confessed that since 1884 he had murdered nine people and had not been arrested for any of them.——The situation at Columbus Ohio was unchanged last night; each side is about holding its own; the Hanna men have adopted the tactics of the opposition, which is to conceal everything from the other side.——The Democrats of the Ohio legislature will hold a caucus Monday in order to see how many will stick to the combine; it is thought Kurts will be proposed for both the short and the long term; both sides will bring tremendous crowds to Columbus Monday.—— At Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. Mary Sanbrink, a widow shoots Dr. S. A. Rogers, a prominent physician, then kills herself; Dr. Rogers is in a dying condition.——The bolting republicans and the democrats elect the speaker in the lower house of the Maryland legislature.——Two negroes are lynched in Mississippi by negroes for paying too much attention to the wives of some of the lynchers.——The new republican party in New York adopts the name of the "republicans of the county of New York."——It is reported in Havana that when General Blanco takes the field Consul General Lee will accompany him and a conference will be had with General Gomez.

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Are happily combined in Hood's Sarsaparilla Coupon Calendar for 1898. The lovely child's head in an embossed gold frame, surrounded by sprays of flowers in mosaic, the harmonious pad in blue with clear figures, and the Coupons by means of which many valuable books and other articles may be obtained, make up the most desirable Calendar we have ever seen. The first coupon article is Hood's Practical Cook's Book, a handsome, useful volume of 350 pages. Ask your druggist for Hood's Coupon Calendar, or send 6 cents in stamps for one to C. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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STATEMENT OF

THE ANNUAL EXPENSES OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ENDING DEC. 1st, 1897.

. H. Cotton to 23 days sitting as Commissioner at $2.00 per day,	$46 00
o 161 miles traveled at 5c. per mile,	8 05
To signing school vouchers, &c,,	20 00
To sewer,	3 00
	$77 05
J. A. Gainey to 24 days acting as Commissioner at $2.00 per day,	$48 00
To 192 miles traveled at 5c. per mile,	9 60
To services as auditing committee,	90 40
	$148 00
J. A. McFarland to 24 days sitting as Commissioner at $2.00 per day,	$48 00
To 288 miles traveled at 5c. per mile,	14 40
To bridges (built at his own expense),	71 15
To committee (refunding).	50 00
	$183 55
Grand total,	$408 60

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true statement of the expenses, of the amounts as credited and passed by the Board of County Commissioners for themselves, for the year ending December 6, 1897.

A. L McCASKILL,
Dec. 21. 1897--oaw4w C. C. C.

FOR SALE,

A Valuable Stock of Goods and Other Personal Property.

As Receiver of Manchester Cotton Mills, I will, on Tuesday, January 18th, 1898, at 2:30 p. m., expose to sale to the highest bidder at public auction, all and singular, the stock of Goods, Wares and Merchandise, consisting of Dry Goods, Groceries, Notions, Boots, Shoes and such other goods as are usually contained in general stores, being the stock of goods recently belonging to said corporation, and at the same time and place all other personal property of every description formerly owned by said corporation.

Terms: Cash.

Place of sale: At the store of the Manchester Cotton Mills, Manchester, N. C.

N. B.—Manchester Cotton Mills will be sold, by the Commissioner appointed by the Court, at the same time and place.

J. E. HUNTER, Receiver,
Greensboro, N. C.

H. McD. ROBINSON, } Attorneys,
N. A. SINCLAIR, } Fayetteville, N.C.
Dec. 23, 1897---ts

Sale of Land.

Under and by virtue of the power contained in a certain deed of trust executed by A. H. Watson and Mary E. Watson to the undersigned trustees, and recorded in Book T, No. 4, page 203, Register of Deeds' office for Cumberland county, the said trustees will, on Thursday, the 20th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., expose to sale at public auction, for cash, upon the premises a certain lot of land in the city of Fayetteville described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post in the north margin of Grove street, Benbow's corner; thence as that line North 22 East, 2 chains 50 links, to Watson's line; thence as it North 68 West 1 chain 25 links to a post; thence as Watson's line South 23 West 2 chains 50 links to his corner on Grove street; thence as said street 1 chain 30 links to the beginning, containing one-third of an acre more or less, being the house and lot on said street known as the Porter property,

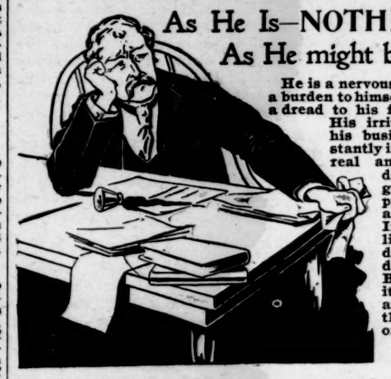
Terms cash. N. A. SINCLAIR,
WALTER WATSON,
December 18, 1897. Trustees.

Sale of Land.

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a certain deed of mortgage executed the 15th day of March, 1897, by Wiley Cain and wife, Darkis Elizabeth Cain to N. A. Vann, recorded in Book A, No. 5, page 78, et seq., the following described land will be sold at public auction for cash at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., on Wednesday, the 19th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., all that tract of land beginning at the third corner of lot No. 1 and runs South 42 East 17 chs 40 lks to a corner in K. S. Carty's line; thence with his line S 30 W 6 chs to a stake; thence N 55 W 5 chs to a corner in an old field; thence S 46 W 15 chs to a stake; thence N 42 W 20 chs 40 lks to a stake; thence 62 W 22 chs 80 lks to the beginning.

N. A VANN, Mortgagee.
N. A. SINCLAIR, Attorney.
Dec. 18, 1897.

What is this Man Good For?



As He Is—NOTHING!

As He might be—MUCH!

He is a nervous wreck. His life is a burden to himself, and his presence a dread to his family and friends. His irritability is ruining his business, and his constantly increasing miseries, real and imaginary, are driving him into the grave. This unhappy man is only one of a million in America. If there were no relief for their condition they might indeed pray for death. But Nervousness and its morbid horrors are vanishing before the marvelous work of advanced science.

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At the end of period covered by this contest The Constitution will pay out to the successful party or parties the full prize amount that has accrued in the contest. The plan is simple and these contests have become so popular and have been conducted with such absolute fairness to all that they have been widely copied after, but none have become equal to The Constitution's great original series.

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in these missing word contests. It sets aside 10 per cent of the subscription funds received from subscribers guessing at the missing word, and this fund is given to the successful guesser or guessers in the contest. The fund is distributed with absolute fairness, and the fact that The Weekly Constitution has MORE THAN 150,000 subscribers and that it puts aside 10 per cent from all guessers' subscriptions for this distribution fund shows that the amount to be divided at each interval is large enough to be worth striving for. It is not a catch-penny or a deceitful proposition, but the plan is open and simple and IS ADMITTED to the mails by the Post Office Department as a meritorious contest.

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Ten Per Cent of the Guessers' Subscriptions goes to the Fund to be divided. In other words if this Subscription Fund amounts to $20,000 for this period then the fund to go to the successful guesser would be $2,000.

THE CONSTITUTION PUTS 10 PER CENT of the amount it receives for subscriptions from parts sentering the Missing Word Contest into a fund for distribution among those who name correctly the missing word. If only one contestant gets the right word, he or she will be given the entire fund. If more than one supplies the missing word, the same will be proportionately divided among the successful guessers.

THE CONDITION PRECEDENT FOR SENDING A GUESS at the Missing Word, is that each and every guess must be accompanied by a year's subscription to The Weekly Constitution. If sent through the paper publishing this advertisement in acceptance of our clubbing offer, the guess at the missing word will be forwarded. The guess must be sent with the subscription. Should one person send more than one answer, he or she will be entitled to a share of the fund for each correct answer. There will be no capital prize—everyone will get a first prize. Persons may guess as many times as they send subscriptions.

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LAND SALE.

Under a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County made in Bank of Fayetteville vs. R. M. Nimocks et al. at November Term, 1897, the undersigned will offer for sale at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., on Monday, January 17th, 1898, at 12 o'clock M.,

The Nimocks Store on Hay street.
The Holland House on Dick street.
The Currie House on Haymount.
The Atkins House in Campbellton.
The Hughes House near Fair Grounds.
The Mitchell House in Campbellton.
The Dick White House near W. L. Hawley's.
The Mike King 100 acres, in Carver's Creek.
The Bolton Land, 16 acres in 71st.
Terms: Cash.

C. W. BROADFOOT,
Commissioner.

At the same time and place, and on same terms, The Bank of Fayetteville will offer for sale "The Carolina Roller Mills" on Cross Creek under authority given by deed of mortgage executed to it. See deed, Book A, No. 5, page 212.

BANK OF FAYETTEVILLE,
Dec 14, 1897. H. W. Lilly, Pres't.

Cumberland County, N. C., Oct. 4, 1897

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Land for Sale.

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N. A. SINCLAIR,
Dec 26, 1897. Commissioner.

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NORTH BOUND	No. 2 Daily
Leave Wilmington,	9 00 m
Arrive Fayetteville,	12 10 p m
Leave Fayetteville,	12 22 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction,	12 27 "
Leave Sanford,	1 48 "
Leave Climax	3 47 "
Arrive Greensboro,	4 20 "
Leave Greensboro,	4 30 "
Leave Stokesdale,	5 17 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 47 "
Leave Rural Hall,	6 15 "
Arrive Mt. Airy,	7 45 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 Daily.
Leave Mt. Airy,	8 40 a m
Leave Rural Hall,	10 04 "
Leave Walnut Cove,	10 33 "
Leave Stokesdale,	11 06 "
Arrive Greensboro,	1. 50 "
Leave Greensboro,	12 15 p m
Leave Climax,	12 43 "
Leave Sanford,	2 36 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction,	3 55 "
Arrive Fayetteville,	4 00 "
Leave Fayetteville,	4 10 "
Arrive Wilmington,	7 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. Daily.
Leave Bennettsville,	8 00 a m
Arrive Maxton,	9 02 "
Leave Maxton,	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs,	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills,	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville,	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. Daily.
Leave Fayetteville,	4 50 p m